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**DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.,**  
WHOLESALE  
AND  
RETAIL  
FAMILY GROCERS,  
AND  
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO. desire to return thanks to the people of Cromwell and the surrounding districts for the liberal encouragement they have shown since opening the above establishment; and they intend devoting their attention exclusively to the Grocery and Wine and Spirit trade, and confidently hope, from their connection in the district, to be able to place before the public a genuine class of goods, well and carefully selected, at prices that cannot fail to give general satisfaction. They would respectfully invite attention more especially to the following articles:

Teas of excellent flavor, in chests, half-chests, and boxes  
Coffees not to be surpassed in quality  
Sweets and Chocolate of the best brands  
Jams—crystals and crushed loaf  
Fruit—Muscadel, Sultana, and Eleme  
Jellies, Pickles, and Sauces  
Cheese, and Butter of prime quality  
Imperial Ruby Twist, Barrett's  
Twist, Old Sport, and Aromatic  
Salad, Castor, and Kerosene  
Candles of the best brands  
Blue Mottled, Yellow, and Scented in  
bars and cakes, &c., &c.

GRAIN.  
Wakatip Oats, Wheat, and Chaff  
SPIRITS.  
Whisky—Arbegg's and Long Jones'  
Hennessy's and Martell's Brandy, in bulk  
and case  
J.K.Z. Geneva  
Barnett's Old Tom  
Lemon Hart's Rum in bulk  
Porter—Blood's, Byass's, and Guinness's  
CORDIALS.  
Ringer Wine, Raspberry Vinegar, Peppermint,  
Lemon Syrup, &c., &c.  
Townsend's Sarsaparilla

Families waited on for orders, and goods delivered in all parts of the district at Cromwell.

## WAKATIP BREWERY.

**MESSRS SURMAN AND DAVIS**  
beg to inform the Public of Cromwell and the surrounding districts that, in order to meet the constantly increasing demand for their

**ALES,**  
they have appointed Messrs D. A. JOLLY & Co. as AGENTS IN CROMWELL.

Messrs D. A. JOLLY and Co. will from this date be in a position to supply Wakatip Ale (of fine quality) in bulk or bottle, at prices that defy competition.

Ale or Porter, 12s per doz.  
Queenstown, October 30, 1871.

**DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.,**

HAVING RECEIVED A NEW AND SELECT ASSORTMENT OF

**IRONMONGERY,**

to call public attention to the following:

Blasting Powder and Fuse; Long and Short handle Shovels; Picks, Pick Handles, and Sluice Forks; Pannikins, Gold Dishes, Billies; Galvanized Iron Buckets; American Tubs, Buckets, and Brooms; Axes and Handles; Manila Rope mining purposes; Drilling Hammers and Handles; White Lead; Castor Oil in bulk; Washing-boards; Brushware of every description; Nails; Canvas; Hose Pipes.—Contracts undertaken for supplying Mining Co.'s with Material of all kinds, on liberal terms. Free delivery

**DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.'s**

**DEPOT FOR MINING TOOLS,**  
CROMWELL.

**I. HALLENSTEIN and Co.,**  
GENERAL IMPORTERS,  
CROMWELL, QUEENSTOWN, ARROWTOWN, & MELBOURNE.

WE have much pleasure in calling the attention of the inhabitants generally to our Large Stock, as enumerated in this advertisement. It does not detail all the articles we keep, for to do so would be almost impossible. We have endeavoured to enumerate all the principal articles of each class; but every want necessary in a Mining, Agricultural, and Pastoral community can be supplied.

All our purchases being for cash, we thus possess an advantage that few are able to avail themselves of.  
We therefore respectfully solicit a continuance of the patronage hitherto bestowed, with the conviction that all orders entrusted to our care will be promptly executed, and the articles found to be of good value.

**Drapery.**—The attention of Ladies is respectfully directed to this Department. It will be found replete with all the latest novelties from the Melbourne markets, and arrangements have been made for regular shipments per each steamer.

Dresses, in silks, fancy and black; alpaca, challies, mohairs, winceys, muslins, prints, coburgs Shawls, all-wool plaids, French merinos, skirtings, jackets, &c.  
Hosiery, gloves, handkerchiefs, faces, trimmings of all kinds  
Ladies' and Children's Underclothing. — Our stock will be found the largest and best-assorted on the Gold-fields

Ladies' and Children's Hats, trimmed and untrimmed  
Feathers, flowers, corsets, chignons, &c.  
A large assortment of white and coloured flannels, serge and cricketing; calicoes and sheetings; and every other article required in the trade.

**Slop Department.**—Men's Suits, Paget and sac; boys' ditto, Leopold, Stanley, sac, and knickerbocker; Trousers and vests, all kinds

Trousers, in silk mixture, doeskin, tweed, cotton, Bedford cord, and moleskin  
Shirts—white dress, regatta, Crimean, serge, Scotch twill, tweed, and jain  
Pants and under-shirts, in flannel, lambswool, serge, merino, and cotton  
Men's and boys' Hosiery, of all kinds

Hats—straw, merino, tweed, silk-stitched, felt, and plush, in all the latest shapes  
Waterproof coats, overalls, leggings and son'-westers; monkey jackets and pilot coats  
All the above Goods are to our special order.

**Boots and Shoes.**—A splendid assortment, consisting of:  
Ladies', girls', and children's boots, in kid, cashmere, morocco, and leather  
Slippers—canvas, patent leather (plain and fur-trimmed), sheepskin, and carpet  
Men's and boys' boots—elastic-side, Balmoral, Hucher, Wellington, half-Wellington, and riding boots; Colonial water-tights, made to order in Melbourne  
Gum boots—Hayward's North British and Liverpool; Hardy's nuggets.

**Carpets.**—In tapestry, felt, all-wool kidderminster, cugget; hearth-rugs.

**Matting.**—China and coir; oilcloth, door-mats.

**Ironmongery, Mining Tools, and Agricultural Implements.**—Anvils, axes, augers, adzes, balancers, bells, bags, blacking, brushes (all kinds), baking-dishes, billies, braces and bits, black-lead, bellows, boilers, bedsteads, bolts, blocks, candlesticks, chains (various), candle-moulds, colanders, compasses, chisels, coal-scuttles, scoop and vase; corkscrews, coffin furniture, cash-boxes, door-scrappers, drippers, egg-whisks, slice and cups; fuse, frying-pans, funnels, files, fenders and fire-irons, fish-hooks, gimblets, grindstones, graters, glue, gridirons, gold-blowers, dishes and sieves, grates, gads, guns, glue-pots, hammers (all kinds), hoes, jelly-moulds, knives, a large assortment; knives and forks, knife-boards, kettles, lanterns, jacks, ladles, milk dishes, cans, strainers, sieves, and yokes; measuring tapes, mops, mallets, nails of every kind, pitch, picks, pumps, powder, pinners, piping, ploughs, quoits, quicksilver, rules, rope, resin, rivets, rasps, rakes, ship scrapers, sickles and bats, slop-pails, saws of all kinds, sieves, seaming twine, sponges, scoops, sheep-shears, saucepans, shovels and spades, spirit-levels, soldering-irons, solder, spokeshaves, shot, steel-yards, scales, screws, staples, stewpans, teapots, trowels, tar, tacks, tubs, tuc-irons, vices, waiters, washing boards and powder, window furniture of all kinds, writing cases, zinc, &c., &c.

**Timber and Building Materials.**—Shelving, 12 and 14 inches wide; T. and G. lumber T. and G. Scotch Flooring, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 inch; beaded and plain match lining  
Quartering, American hardwood, 3 x 1, 3 x 1 1/2, 3 x 2, 4 x 3, 4 x 6; mouldings, various sizes  
Galvanised and painted iron, all sizes; rolled zinc, spouting, brackets, down-piping heads  
Screws, nails, locks, hinges, and bolts; doors, glass, raised panel, and plain sashes, all sizes.

**Paints, Paperhangings, Oils.**—Paints of all kinds; white and red lead; black, green, blue, umbre, ochre, &c.; Oils—raw, boiled, colza, olive, turpentine, &c.; oak and copal varnish, asphaltum, oak-stain, knotting

**Paperhangings.**—a large assortment of drawing-room, sitting-room, bed-room, hall, passage, and ceiling, various; borderings, all kinds.

**Tinware** of every description, a large assortment, all kinds.

**Kitchen Utensils.**—Stoves, boilers, saucepans, kettles, &c.

**Crockery.**—a large and well-assorted department.

**Lamps, Glassware, Kerosene, Lampware.**—large assortment.

**Furniture, Bedding, &c.**—Bedsteads: an assortment of French and stump double, single, and children's bedsteads and cots

Chairs: Ladies, Florence, Lincoln, Fillmore, dining, American wood, spring hair, rocking; easy-chairs, in hair, cane, and wood

Commodore, cheffoniers, children's high and low chairs, cane and wood; chests of drawers  
Tables: round and square, dining, loo, and dressing, various  
Washstands, in cedar and walnut; towel-horses, mahogany, cedar, turned and plain  
Sofas, a large assortment, colonial made, with or without backs, pillows, and cushions  
Mattresses: feather, hair, flock, fibre, any size; pillows and bolsters, do. do. do.

**Leather.**—Crap, kip, calf, kangaroo, &c., from the Tannery of Michaelis, Hallenstein, and Co

**Grindery.**—a large assortment.

**Tobacco and Cigars.**—Being direct importers of these goods, buyers can always depend on getting a first-class article.

Tobacco: fancy and aromatic, silver coil, Atlantic cable, old sport, navy, fives, sixes, tens, imperial ruby, gold bar; dark aromatic—tens, basifol lover, little sunshade, monster; Barrett's twist and cut tobaccos; snuff

Cigars: Trabucos, Havana, Princess', and Swiss.

**Stationery and Books.**—Account-books, all sizes and bindings; minute-books, bill-files, blotting-paper, memo. books, copying letter-books, copy and exercise books, date-cases, envelopes, all kinds and sizes; elastic bands, foolscap (plain and ruled), gum mucilage, ink of all kinds; inkstands, a large variety; letter balances, clips, and files; pass-books  
Note and letter paper, white, blue, and mourning; pens of all kinds, pencils, playing-cards, pocket-books, purses, slates, albums, rulers, sealing-wax, tissue-paper, all colours; desks  
Books: an assortment of family and pocket Bibles, church services, and prayer-books  
Poetical Works of Byron, Moore, Scott, Burns, Milton, Cowper, Cook, Campbell, Longfellow  
Gift books; dictionaries—French, Latin, German, and English; geographies, arithmetics.

**Fancy Goods.**—A large, choice, and varied assortment.

**Patent Medicines.**—Large assortment; also, a variety of Horse Medicines.

**Perfumery.**—"from every flower that breathes a fragrance."

**Saddlery.**—This department will be found very complete, as all goods are manufactured expressly for us by Alston, of Melbourne.

Bridles, with or without bits; a large assortment of ladies' and gentlemen's, double and single rein, Pelham and snaffle; all prices.

Curry-combs and brushes of all kinds; halters; hobbles, various.

Saddles, ladies' and gentlemen's; demy, stock, green hide, and all over hogskin; various prices.

Saddle-cloths, kersey, felt; saddle-girths, leather, web; saddle straps, spurs of all kinds; valises, martingales and breastplates, various; stirrup leathers, ladies' slippers and stirrup leathers, cruppers, bits, blinkers, headstalls, ladies' worked saddle-cloths.

Spring cart harness complete, dray harness complete, leading sets complete.

Paek saddles, straps, needles, buckles, hempen knives.

Whips, a large variety; jockey whips, silver mounted, green hide; ladies' twigs, various kinds; buggy whips, cart whips, all sizes; stockwhips and handles, thongs of all kinds.

**Produce.**—Agents for Robertson and Hallenstein, Brunswick Flour Mills, Lake Wakatip.—We have for sale their silk-dressed Flour, (equal to Adelaide); pollard, bran, oats, wheat, barley, chaff. Garden seeds in great variety.

**Sundries.**—Tents, tarpaulins, Manila rope, hose canvas, horse-covers, wheelbarrows, hose-directors, brushware, camp and colonial ovens, caudles, lime, &c., &c., &c.

**SHAMROCK STORE,**  
CROMWELL.

**WILLIAM SHANLY & Co.,**

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION

MERCHANTS.

A large and varied assortment of

WINES, SPIRITS, AND GROCERIES.

Goods delivered in all parts of the district free of charge.



**THE CROMWELL BAKERY**

**J. SCOTT,**

BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,

Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district.

**VICTORIA STORE, CROMWELL.**

**I. WRIGHT,**

**FAMILY GROCER.**

Crockery, Glassware, Musical Instruments, Brushware, Stationery, Patent Medicines

Fancy Goods and Toys of every description

Paperhangings, Glass, Oils, Colours,

Paint, Varnish, Glue, Cue Tips, &c.

Thompson's Cement for Cue Tips

English & Colonial Newspapers

and Magazines | Oats & Chaff.

**CROMWELL TIMBER & IRON YARD**

LATE MR GRANT'S

**NEW ZEALAND & AMERICAN TIMBER YARD**

**JAMES TAYLOR,**

Carpenter and Builder, Ironmonger

&c., &c.,

Has FOR SALE all kinds of Building Material suitable for the district.

Estimates given for Buildings at the Lowest

PRICES compatible with Good Material and Workmanship.

Punctuality and attention to all orders may be relied on.

A Large Assortment of Paperhangings

Paints, Glass, FURNITURE—comprising Chairs

Tables, Washstands, Iron Bedsteads, &c.

Building Ironmongery, Carpenters' and Miners' Tools, Hemp, Wire, and Manila Rope,

SADDLERY, &c., cheap. 25

**Cromwell Veterinary Shoeing Forge**

Next door to Kidd's Cromwell Hotel.

**EDWARD LINDSAY,**

(Late of Clyde and Melbourne),

GENERAL BLACKSMITH, FARRIER, AND

MACHINIST,

Begs to intimate to his customers and the general public that he has REMOVED to his NEW PREMISES, next to the Cromwell Hotel, Melmore Terrace, where he will carry on every description of Blacksmith work and Farriery as heretofore.

E. LINDSAY begs to intimate to the Public generally that he has gone to the expense of getting a CAST-IRON BED for TIRING WHEELS on a new principle, being the first introduced up-country, which he will guarantee to give general satisfaction; also, that he has made a reduction in the price of Horse-shoeing.

LIGHT SHOES - - - 10s.

DRAUGHT .. - - - 16s.

**EDWARD LINDSAY,**

Veterinary Shoeing Forge.

## Cromwell

**LADIES' SEMINARY,**  
Enniscore-street.

**MRS WILKINSON,**  
Having opened the above-mentioned Establishment, trusts that by perseverance, and strict attention to her pupils, she may merit continued patronage.

The Course of Study comprises Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Plain and Ornamental Needlework; with oral lessons on the Globes, Geography, Grammar, and History. Accomplishments: Music, French, and Drawing.

BOARDERS TAKEN ON MODERATE TERMS.



CROMWELL.

**FREE TRADE BUTCHERY,**  
(Wholesale and Retail).

**JAMES DAWKINS - PROPRIETOR.**

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams, Bacon, &c., always on hand.

\*Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout the district.

BEEF, BY THE QUARTER, 3½d per lb.

**CROMWELL BUTCHERY**  
(WHOLESALE AND RETAIL),

**OWEN PIERCE - PROPRIETOR.**

A supply of Meat of all descriptions always on hand, and sold at the Lowest Prices.

Important to Hotelkeepers.

**C. NELSON & CO.** beg to intimate to the public of Cromwell and its environs that they have commenced business as Manufacturers of LEMONADE and GINGERBEER, in the new building in Enniscore-street, at the rear of Mr Barry's residence.

A SODA-WATER MACHINE will shortly arrive from Dunedin, when C. N. & Co. will be in a position to execute orders in this particular line.

Orders promptly attended to, and Goods delivered in all parts of the district.

CIL. C. NELSON & CO.

**F. SANSON, SADDLER**  
AND  
**HARNESS-MAKER,**

Begs to inform the public that he is carrying on business at the Premises lately occupied by Mr Raven, in Cromwell, and trusts, by strict attention and moderate charges, to merit the public patronage.

Collars, Pack-saddles, and Harness of every description made on the premises.

Repairs done on the shortest notice.

**WILLIAM BARNES, JUNR.,**  
**FARRIER AND BLACKSMITH,**  
(Opposite Smitham's Kawarau Hotel).

**WILLIAM BARNES, Junr.,** desires to announce to the inhabitants of Cromwell and the surrounding District that he has commenced business as a

**BLACKSMITH & FARRIER,**  
in New Premises,

situated opposite Smitham's Kawarau Hotel. His long practical experience in all branches of the Business, combined with MODERATE CHARGES, will, he trusts, secure to him a fair share of public patronage.

Every Branch of the Business attended to.

**BARNES'S**  
**VETERINARY SHOEING FORGE,**  
CROMWELL.

## NOTICE.

**POISON** for DOGS is laid on **ARDGOUR STATION.** **ALEX. McLEAN,**  
Manager.

## NOTICE.

**POISON** for DOGS will be laid on **MOUNT PISA STATION** on and after this date. **I. LOUGHNAN.**  
Mount Pisa, May 12th 1870.—27c

## Cromwell

**KAWARAU HOTEL,**  
CROMWELL.

**WILLIAM SMITHAM.....PROPRIETOR.**

The best conducted and most comfortable Hotel in the District.

A FIRST-CLASS BILLIARD ROOM,  
With one of Alcock's best Tables.

N.B.—W. S. having erected a large range of Stabling, would intimate to Travellers that every care will be bestowed upon horses. An experienced groom in attendance.

**JUNCTION COMMERCIAL HOTEL,**  
CROMWELL.

**JOSEPH HARDING** begs to intimate that he has purchased from Mr G. W. GOODGER the above large and centrally-situated Hotel, and is now in a position to offer accommodation of a superior description to all who may favor him with their patronage.

His past experience in the WINE and SPIRIT trade, will he trusts, be a sufficient guarantee that the Spirits and Malt Liquors served will be as pure as on the day they left the vinery or the distillery.

The BEDROOMS, PRIVATE PARLORS, &c., are fitted up in the best style, and every attention will be paid to secure the comfort and convenience of visitors.

Large and Comfortable

**BILLIARD ROOM,**  
Fitted with one of Alcock's Tables.

Particular attention has been paid to the **STABLES**  
In connection with the Hotel, and the public may rely on  
Every Care being taken of their HORSES.

MEALS ready at ALL HOURS of the day.

**J. HARDING.**

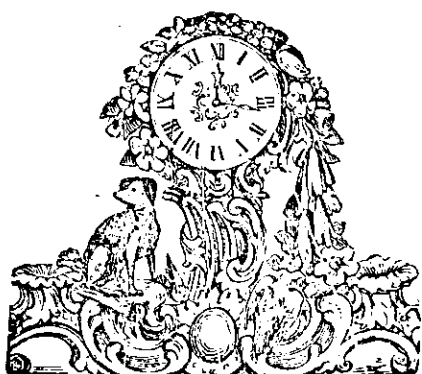
## DAGG'S

**CLUTHA HOTEL,**  
CROMWELL.

Best Accommodation for Visitors.

PRETTY FAIR LIQUOR.

FIRST-CLASS STABLING.



**P. SMITH,**

**WATCH AND CLOCK MAKER,**  
CROMWELL,  
(Adjoining Lindsay's Blacksmith's Shop).

**EDWARD MURRELL,**  
CHRONOMETER,  
WATCH, AND CLOCK MAKER

FROM  
**Mr J. HISLOP'S, Princes-st., Dunedin,**  
Begs respectfully to inform the inhabitants of Cromwell and the surrounding districts that he has commenced business in the above line in all its branches, and hopes by strict attention to business, and punctuality, to receive a share of public patronage.  
All work guaranteed for twelve months.  
Lowest possible charges consistent with good Workmanship.  
All kinds of Watches, Clocks, and Musical Boxes cleaned and repaired.—Jewellery made and repaired.—Pipes mounded.  
Just Received, Consignment of First-class Watches, Clocks and Jewellery.

Observe the address:—Adjoining MARSH'S BRIDGE HOTEL.

**MR H. W. SMYTHIES,**  
MINING SURVEYOR AND AGENT.

**Legal Managership & REGISTRATION**  
of Companies undertaken.

Office: Town Hall, Cromwell.

## Cromwell

## NOTICE.

**COALS! COALS!! COALS!!!**

The Cromwell Coal Works will in future be carried on by **NICHOLAS & MARTIN**, who have much pleasure in calling the attention of the Inhabitants of the Cromwell District to their new Seam of Coal, which is far superior to any hitherto obtained in the same Works, or in any other portion of the district. They therefore respectfully solicit a continuance of the patronage heretofore bestowed, with the conviction that that patronage will be deserved.

All orders entrusted to us will be attended to at once, and on the shortest notice, as we intend to keep a good supply of coals at the Pit-mouth. Coals delivered anywhere, either in or out of the district; and lowest cartage prices charged.

20s. per ton at the Works.

32s. „ „ delivered.

We also wish to inform our constituents that an early settlement of all accounts due to us is highly desirable.

Note the address:

**NICHOLAS AND MARTIN,**  
Coal Works, Cromwell.

**KARL PRETSCH,**

**COACH & GENERAL PAINTER,**  
etc.,  
Has now PAPERHANGINGS, PAINTS of every description, GLASS, and MOULDINGS, on Sale at Low Prices.

Contracts undertaken for General Painting, Decoration, and Sign Writing.

Buggies and Vehicles of every description painted in the best style.

Colours Prepared in any Shade required

Address: Next door but one to MARSH'S BRIDGE HOTEL, CROMWELL.

**JUNCTION BAKERY,**  
CROMWELL.

**C. W. WRIGHT,**  
BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER.

Bread Delivered in all Parts of the District.

**JUST ARRIVED,—A Large Lot of**  
PAPERHANGINGS and FURNITURE;  
CHEFFONIERS, CHILDREN'S COTS, &c., &c.

**JAMES TAYLOR,**  
Cromwell Timber Yard.

**JOHN E. BEATTIE,** having been appointed

RANGER OF MOUNT PISA STATION,

Is prepared to

**YARD HORSES AND CATTLE**

On the shortest notice.

Terms moderate.

**A. W. ALLANBY,**

**BARRISTER AND SOLICITOR,**  
CROMWELL.

**THOMAS FOOTE,**

**TAILOR AND CLOTHIER,**  
MELMORE TERRACE,  
CROMWELL.

Ladies' Riding Habits made to order.

**CHARLES COLCLOUGH,**  
**SHAREBROKER, COMMISSION**  
AGENT,  
ARBITRATOR, AND ACCOUNTANT,  
CROMWELL.

Having arranged to devote my time exclusively to these occupations, business entrusted to my care will receive every attention.

**WILLIAM MACNAB,**  
ACCOUNTANT  
AND  
COMMISSION AGENT.

The Registration and Legal Managership of Mailing Companies undertaken.

## Bannockburn

**STUART'S FERRY**  
KAWARAU RIVER.

Main crossing-place between Cromwell the Nevis for Waggon, Drays, Horses, Foot passengers.

Children attending School, Free

**THE FERRY HOTEL**

Has first-class accommodation for Travellers

**BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE**  
DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,  
(On the Main Road to the Nevis).

GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions kept in Stock.

The Goods, being obtained DIRECT from Dunedin, are retailed at the LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

N.B.—Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &c.

The new Ferry being now OPEN FOR TRAFFIC the Public are invited to cross the Kawarau River on the

**BEST PUNT IN THE PROVINCE**  
which is on the direct road to Bannockburn, the Nevis, and the Carrick Range Reefs.

**John Richards - Proprietor**

**BANNOCKBURN TIMBER YARD**  
AND CARPENTER'S SHOP.

**JAMES TAYLOR,**

CROMWELL TIMBER AND IRON YARD,  
Begs to inform the Residents of BANNOCKBURN, NEVIS, POTTERS, &c., that in order to meet the increasing requirements of those districts, he has opened a Branch Establishment at Doctor's Flat, opposite Mr Richards' Store.

A good supply of TIMBER and IRON for Building and Mining purposes always on hand.

Best Material and Workmanship Cheap for Cash.

**BANNOCKBURN COAL MINE**

**LOGAN & SCOTT,**

**COAL MERCHANTS,**

Having obtained a lease of the above well-known Coal Works, beg to inform the residents at Bannockburn, Carrick Range, Bendigo, Kawarau Gorge, and throughout the district, that they are prepared to SUPPLY (in any quantity) COAL of excellent quality, at 15s. per ton taken from the pit's mouth; or, delivered, 1s 9d per bag and upwards, according to distance.

N.B.—Drays leave the Bannockburn for Cromwell twice a week. Loading carried back on reasonable terms. 105

**ALL NATIONS HOTEL**  
CARRICKTON.

**J. ALLEY** begs to inform the inhabitants of the Carrick Range and Bannockburn district that the above hotel is now completed, and that he will be happy to receive a visit from his numerous friends and acquaintances.

First-class Accommodation for Visitors.

Wines, Spirits, and Beers of the best quality.

**WILLIAM SUTHERLAND & CO.,**  
(Late of Logantown),

**GENERAL BLACKSMITHS & FARRIERS,**  
Beg to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that they have removed to CARRICKTOWN, next to McCormick's Carrick Range Hotel, where they hope, by strict attention to business, and reasonable charges, to merit a share of their patronage.

## Bannockburn

CARRICK RANGE HOTEL,  
QUARTZVILLE,

(in the immediate vicinity of the Carrick Reefs.)

THOMAS HAZLETT - Proprietor.

Having purchased from Mr JOHN M'CORMICK the above well-known and centrally-situated hotel, I am now in a position to offer first-class accommodation to all who may favour me with their patronage.

The Premises are fitted up and furnished on the most complete scale, regardless of expense, and the arrangements for the comfort of visitors and travellers are second to none in the district.

COMMODIOUS BILLIARD ROOM,  
fitted with one of Julius Paser's full-sized tables

An excellent SIX-STALLED STABLE on the premises, and a careful groom always in attendance.

T. HAZLETT.

## Kawarau Gorge

## NOTICE.

ROBERT INGLIS begs to inform the inhabitants of Cromwell and surrounding districts that he has commenced business as a BUILDER AND CONTRACTOR.

All kinds of building completed with permanency and despatch. Plans, Specifications, and Estimates prepared for any design, at moderate charges.

In connection with the above, we are prepared to deliver to any part of the district ME of Superior Quality, BRICKS in any quantity, and COAL, unequalled in any part of the district. By the supply of a good article combined with moderate prices, we hope to earn a share of public patronage and support.

INGLIS &amp; BINGE.

Orders addressed to Robert Inglis, or Charles Binge, Kawarau Gorge, will receive prompt attention.

A dray visits Cromwell daily. Back loading taken at moderate rates.

Gorge, 1st February, 1872.

## Bendigo

## OSIAH MITCHINSON,

Wholesale and Retail

STOREKEEPER,

WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANT,

WAKEFIELD STORE,

(Near Cromwell Quartz Co.'s Machine),  
BENDIGO.

GOODS DELIVERED

At all parts of the Reefs.

BENDIGO POST OFFICE.

Interest at the rate of 12½ per cent charged on all accounts due over two months.

## MOUNT PISA HOTEL,

(Six Miles from Cromwell.)

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Agent for the CROMWELL ARGUS.

## CROMWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Reading-room is open to Subscribers on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays.

The Library contains an extensive variety of Books in every department of literature; and about £60 worth of New Works is expected to arrive shortly from Great Britain.

All the Provincial Newspapers, and a number of English Papers and Periodicals, are regularly received for the use of Subscribers.

Annual Subscription, £1 1s; Half-Yearly, 12s 6d; Quarterly, 7s 6d.

## CROMWELL KILWINNING LODGE (S.C.)

The REGULAR MEETING of the above Lodge will be held on WEDNESDAY Evening, the 22nd May, at 7.30 sharp, when the R.W.M. will deliver a LECTURE in the Third Degree. By order of the R.W.M., T. MARTIN, Secretary.

## CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

SERVICES FOR MAY:  
SUNDAY, MAY 26, at 7.30 p.m.

**WANTED,—A GOOD GENERAL SERVANT.** Apply at the Office of this Paper.

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### NOTICE.

THE Charge for Crushing at the Royal Standard Company's Machine will be as under from this date, subject to certain alterations:—

10 tons and under 20 .....	30s. per ton.
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GEO. JENOUR,  
Cromwell, April 29. Legal Manager.

**E. H. A. R. D. I. N. G.**  
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The reason for the disposal of the above Property is that the Proprietor intends to leave Otago.

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**J. C. CHAPPLE,**  
AUCTIONEER.

Any orders for Sales in the Cromwell District may be left at the ARGUS Office, and will meet with prompt attention.

## VICTORIA FIRE AND GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

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WE have now opened out our Autumn and Winter Stock of  
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also, full supplies in every department. For particulars, see our general advertisement on the first page.

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### NOTICE.

WE, the undersigned, beg to inform the inhabitants of the Cromwell, Alexandra, and Clyde districts that we have appointed

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As our only AGENTS for the sale of our Silk-dressed  
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We guarantee all Flour branded with our name, and obtained through the above agents.

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[Advertisement.]—Having purchased for cash and personally selected One Thousand Pounds worth of Autumn and Winter Drapery, Clothing, Boots, &c., we feel much pleasure in announcing to our numerous customers and other residents in the district that the same will be added to our present large stock and be open for inspection this week. We can therefore safely assure constituents that we have the largest and choicest stock of Seasonable Goods on the Gold-fields; but don't take our word for it: come and judge for yourselves.—I. Hallenstein & Co.

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26TH AND 27TH DECEMBER, 1872.

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Entrances to be made to the Secretary on or before 1st OCTOBER 1872.

WILLIAM MACNAB,  
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Ordinary Cartes de Visite, £1 per dozen; 15s. per half dozen.  
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Solar Enlargements coloured in oil or water-colours.  
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## CROMWELL CEMETERY.

NOTICE.—Any person or persons damaging the fence, removing pegs, or otherwise interfering with the Cemetery Enclosure, will be prosecuted.—By order,

JOHN MARSH, Secretary.

May 20, 1872.

## IN BANKRUPTCY.

ESTATE of WILLIAM SHANLY,  
Of Cromwell.

NOTICE is hereby given, that RICHARD HENRY LEARY, the Provisional Trustee in Bankruptcy, has been appointed to REALISE this Estate as Agent for the undersigned.

All Accounts due to the said Estate must be paid only to him or a person authorised by him.

(Signed) JAMES T. MACKERRAS,  
W. STAVELY,  
Trustees of the said Estate

ESTATE of WILLIAM SHANLY,  
Of Cromwell.

All ACCOUNTS due to the above Estate MUST BE PAID FORTHWITH, or legal proceedings will be taken for recovery of the same without delay.

Mr CHARLES JOHNSON is authorised to COLLECT the Accounts and give receipts in the name of the Trustees.

RICHARD H. LEARY,  
Provisional Trustee in Bankruptcy,  
Agent for the Trustees.  
Cromwell, 29th May 1872.

## ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF DUNSTAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Revising Officer for the above Electoral District will hold a Court for the REVISION of the LIST OF VOTERS for the said District, on Saturday, the 15th day of June 1872, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Resident Magistrate's Court House, Clyde. At which said Court will be heard and determined all Claims, duly made, to have names inserted in the said List of Voters; and all objections, duly made, to the names of persons being retained or placed on the Electoral Roll of the said District. The names of persons whose Christian names or whose qualifications shall be wholly omitted, where by law required to be specified, in the said List,—or whose place of abode, or the nature or description of whose qualifications, are insufficiently described for the purpose of being identified,—will be expunged, unless the matter so omitted or insufficiently described be then supplied. The Revising Officer will also at the said Court make such corrections in the said Lists, and do all such other acts, as are required of him by "The Registration of Electors Act, 1866."

Dated this 24th day of May, 1872.

WILLIAM M. HODGKINS,  
Revising Officer.

## ROBERT BURNS Q.M. COMPANY, REGISTERED.

An Extraordinary MEETING of SHARE-HOLDERS in the above Company will be held on THURSDAY NEXT, at 4 p.m., at the Company's Office, Cromwell.

Business:—To arrange for future working of the Claim, and to declare Dividend.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,  
Manager.

## ROB ROY COMPANY, CARRICK.

A CALL of £3 per Twelfth Interest in the above is made PAYABLE AT ONCE to the undersigned. (No meeting.)

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,  
Hon. Sec.

A MEETING of the COLLEEN BAWN QUARTZ-MINING COMPANY will be held at the CROMWELL HOTEL, Cromwell, on SATURDAY, 25th May inst., at 5.30 p.m.

ROBT. BRYDON,  
Secretary.



Winter Evening  
POPULAR  
ENTERTAINMENTS

FRIDAY, MAY 24.

## FIRST GRAND PERFORMANCE OF THE SEASON.

In aid of Cromwell Atheneum Building Fund, WILL TAKE PLACE AT

KIDD'S CONCERT HALL,

ON THE

## EVENING of the QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

### PROGRAMME.

#### PART I.

1. Overture .. .. . Band
2. Glee—*Audace, Eclaircie!* .. .. . Company
3. Song—*Constance* .. .. . Mr Baird
4. Barlesque Scene .. .. . Mr Blair
5. Song—*Auld Robin Gray* .. .. .
6. Cornet Solo .. .. . Master R. Whetter
7. Song—*Ring out, Wild Bells!* .. .. . Mr Loughnan
8. Comic Song—*Have you Seen the Duke?* .. .. . Mr Jolly
9. Song—*'Tis thy Dear Voice* .. .. . Mr Campbell
10. Song—*Within a Mile of Edin-*  
*burgh Town* .. .. .
11. Song—*When other Lips* .. .. . Mr Sansom
12. Comic Song—*Ten Little Niggers* .. .. . Mr Smith

#### PART II.

1. Song—*Let me like a Soldier fall* .. .. . Mr Sansom
2. Song—*The Marmar of the Shell* .. .. .
3. Song—*MacGregor's Gathering* .. .. . Mr Campbell
4. Irish Sketch—*"Pauken O'Raf-ferty's Sag Voyage"* .. .. . Mr Frazer
5. Song—*The Wanderer* .. .. . Mr Loughnan
6. Song—*The Arab Steed* .. .. . Mr Foreman
7. Duet—*What are the Wild Wares Saying?* .. .. . Mr Baird and
8. Comic Song—*The Jackdaw* .. .. . Mr Jolly
9. Negro Farce—*The Nervous Nigger* .. .. . Mr Smith
- Finale—*God Save the Queen!* .. .. . Company.

TO COMMENCE PUNCTUALLY AT EIGHT.

Prices of Admission:—Front Seats, 4s.; Back Seats, 2s. 6d.

A QUADRILLE PARTY (under the management of the Committee) will be held after the Performances. Admission, 2s.

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By order,

JOHN MARSH,  
Hon. Secretary.

## Cromwell Argus,

AND HORTON GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

CROMWELL: TUESDAY, MAY 21, 1872.

Mr MACASSEY has indulged himself during the past week or two in occupations that will in no wise tend to heighten his reputation for sagacity, or induce constituencies to seek him as their representative. He seems to take a pleasure in doing what should be left undone; and identifies himself with men and measures of the most objectionable kind. He lacks discrimination in choosing his political friends; opposes public opinion on vital questions; and, when thwarted in any of his schemes, seems to renumber with malevolence his opponents. It is within the recollection of our readers, how, when contesting the late Wakatip election for the House of Representatives, he vented his spleen against the *Wakatip Mail*, as well as its editor; how, smarting under the sense of being again a defeated candidate, he uttered what were considered idle threats; and how he manifested, by his loss of temper and want of tact, his unfitness not only to represent the Wakatip district, but perchance any

other. He seems, however, to be a beggar; will not take "no" for an answer; and, by his meddling interference with the roads and bridges of our neighbours, and his covert attempts to move their Warden, appears determined whether they are willing or the reverse, to establish some kind of political connection with the Wakatip electors. It does not seem eminently refreshing to the electors in Queenstown to know they are such a powerful influence enlisted in favour; and it appears singular they should object to the removal of their Warden, a kind of solace to the wounded feelings of their rejected candidate. It is quite true that Mr MACASSEY may be a better judge than themselves as to the manner in which justice is dispensed among them; but until they are convinced of such evil judging in their midst, it is certainly unkind to convince them of the fact, and a work of supererogation for this embryonic politician. Not content, it appears, with the notoriety heaped upon him by the House of Representatives, he has ventured; careless of the known anti-denominational education; he has good and sufficient reason to mind the constituencies why he should never again to become their representative. According to the *Arrow Observer*, a petition has been prepared by some "designing and unprincipled parties acting behind the scenes" to which "the unsuspecting nese" have been made the dupes, and sent by Mr MACASSEY to the Provincial Council. Its purport is, charging Warden BEETHAM with "prejudice, partiality, and oppression," and praying for removal. Our contemporary remarks: "It certainly did not emanate from the Arrow division of the district, nor from the neighbourhood of the Shotover, up the Lake. The Chinese themselves know nothing at all about it; nor do we find any of them that we have spoken to have heard of it; nor do we find any of them that have cause for complaint against the Warden, or desire his removal." At a crowded and influential meeting held in Queenstown on Friday last, it was carried unanimously—"That this meeting cannot allow the present opportunity to pass without expressing entire confidence in Mr BEETHAM, whose public life has been actuated by impartiality, justice, integrity, and diligence."

It is extremely unfortunate that so recently after the late election Mr MACASSEY should have taken in hand such a gross petition; more especially when it is remembered that public opinion will construe private pique has dictated and fostered which the just contempt it will meet with will help to confirm. Not content to the his services on the Wakatip district, MACASSEY appears to be adopting the role of Chinese Protectorship; and, summing the probability of a large influence these people, and their possible representation in some future Colonial Council, thus early obtaining a lien on their affections to the end that he may be regarded as their "fit and proper representative."

The whole transaction is not what would have been expected from "an educated gentleman," and is an additional confirmation to the action taken by Mr MACASSEY in the late debate on Education in the House of Representatives, that the electors of Wakatip did not place their political welfare in his keeping.

"Quips and Quiddities by Molehill" will appear next week.

We learn on good authority that it is probable a second medical practitioner will be up his abode shortly, and practise his profession in Cromwell.

Our Bendigo correspondent reports that the Cromwell Company finished a crushing 240 tons from the Golden Link a few days ago, the yield of gold from the quantity mentioned being 345 ozs. The Colclough reef is looking very well.

The necessity of securing the means of postal communication between Cromwell and townships of Quartzville and Carrickton, has been repeatedly urged in these columns. We are glad to hear that petitions are in course of signature asking the Postmaster-General to establish a bi-weekly mail service between the places named. We trust every one interested will sign the petition, and that it will be successful in its object.

Mr Wilson finished the survey of a portion of the Carrick Water Race he was employed on on Wednesday last. He expressed great confidence in the undertaking. Pegs were put in at every five chains, in all gullies, and the points of spurs; so that any part of the course of this section of the race can now be seen, and contracted for. The fall given is to the mile; and although the termination of the race is some 25ft. below the point assumed by Mr Smythies, there are 35ft. of fall still spare to carry the water over the saddle to the clay or other parts of the Range.



The funeral of the late Miss Charlotte Edwards, who died at Nevis Ferry on Friday, took place yesterday, and was attended by not less than 150 persons.

A meeting of the Cromwell Public Library Committee was held in the Town-hall on Tuesday evening, 14th inst. Two applications for the office of librarian were opened and read, and the choice of the Committee fell upon Mr. John M. Kelly, who has since been installed as Mr. Jenour's successor.

Mr. J. Oliver White, artist and photographer, has opened a temporary studio in Melbourne-terrace. We have had an opportunity of examining a number of his photographs and colour-work, and have no hesitation in pronouncing them equal to anything of the kind we have yet seen in this district. Mr. White's charges for cartes are very moderate, and his services will no doubt be largely availed of during his brief stay in Cromwell, by those who wish to "Secure the shadow ere the substance fade."

Over twenty of the members of the Provincial Council went, on Saturday, May 11, to visit the Woollen Manufactory at Mosgiel. Mr. Chaplin provided a coach and horses—eight greys; and Ned Devine, the well-known whip, acted as driver. Mr. A. J. Burns and Mr. Small received the visitors on arrival, and showed them over the works; and the former gentleman afterwards invited them to a luncheon at the Mosgiel Hotel. The visitors are said to have left the factory strongly impressed that the foundation had been laid of a successful colonial industry.

A fact of considerable importance to Registered Mining Companies was mentioned in the Warden's Court on Thursday, during the hearing of an application by the Robert Burns Quartz Mining Company, registered, for protection. The Warden asked the legal manager (Mr. Colclough) whether the company was possessed of a miner's right. Mr. Colclough replied in the negative, adding that the shareholders each held a miner's right, but he was not aware it was requisite for the company to have one. The Warden observed that no registered company could come into Court without a miner's right. It was not necessary for each individual shareholder to have one. Mr. Colclough thereupon applied for and obtained a miner's right for the company, and the protection certificate was granted.

A Dunedin correspondent informs us that on Friday, 11th inst., a deputation, consisting of Messrs. Shepherd and Armstrong, M.P.C.'s, Mr. Thomas Logan, and Mr. H. W. Smythies, waited upon His Honor the Superintendent, and brought under his notice the following matters affecting the Dunstan and Cromwell districts, viz.:—Road from Wakefield to Logan's Reef; roads from Quartzville to the Carrick Reefs; the short-track from Cromwell to Cardrona over Mount Oia; communications for Cromwell and Alexandra; road from Batcher's Gully to Alexandra; road to Drybrook; widening of road between Clyde and Cromwell; and the desirability of vesting the Cromwell public reserves in the hands of the Corporation. His Honor gave careful attention to the various requests urged by the deputation, and promised to assist in giving effect to their wishes. (It is a singular fact that the name of Mr. Christopher Hickey, M.P.C. for Kawarau district, does not appear in connection with the deputation above referred to.)

The probability of inducing the Government to increase the amount placed on the Estimates last session for the construction of a horse-track between Cromwell Bridge and Quartz Reef Point is sufficiently remote to warrant us in recommending that the proposal to cut a track should be abandoned, and that application should at once be made for a vote sufficient to defray the cost of a bridge over the Clutha at Dead Man's Point. There is not a more eligible site for a bridge on any part of the river, and we believe that the work could be done for a very moderate sum. By adopting this plan, there would be no necessity for any rock cutting, save perhaps a chain or two on the east side of the river. A bridge capable of carrying dray traffic would be of immense benefit, not only to the residents of Quartz Reef Point, but to those of Bendigo also, as it would have the effect of dispensing with the three ferries now in existence between the latter place and Cromwell. If any effort is to be made in the direction we have pointed out, the matter must be set about at once. [A question put by Mr. Hickey in reference to the track, together with Mr. Braithwaite's answer, will be seen in our report of the Council proceedings.]

The Foresters of Bannockburn celebrated the fifth anniversary of Court Royal Oak of Kawarau on Friday, the 17th inst. Although the hall and supper were not so numerous as attended as on a similar occasion last year, the affair passed off most successfully, the utmost harmony and good order prevailing throughout, and all the arrangements made by the stewards being most complete and satisfactory. The ball opened about 9 p.m., when between twenty and thirty couples took the floor, and kept possession of it, with little intermission, until supper-time arrived. The room and tables were decorated in very tasteful style with evergreens and floral devices, and the viands were all that the most epicurean taste could desire. The refreshments having been disposed of (we don't mean to say they were all consumed), P.C.R. Bro. Frazer, of Court Star of Cromwell, who occupied the chair, proposed "The Health of Her Majesty the Queen," a toast which was duly honoured by all present. Then followed "Court Royal Oak," proposed by the Chairman, and responded to in elegant terms by C.R. Bro. Joseph Moore. "Kindred Societies," also given from the chair, was fittingly acknowledged by P.C.R. Bro. Marsh (Court Star of Cromwell), and N.G. Bro. Talboys, (Loyal Cromwell Lodge, M.U.L.O.F.). The Chairman then proposed in succession the remaining toasts—"The Press," "The Ladies," and "The Host and Hostess," which were severally responded to by Mr. Matthews, Mr. W. Barnes, and Mr. Richards. Dancing was shortly afterwards resumed, and was kept up with unflagging energy until five a.m. on Saturday. Mr. Cook, assisted by Mr. J. M. Kelly, played the requisite dance-music in a style that gave complete satisfaction. Mr. and Mrs. Richards were highly complimented for the excellent manner in which the supper was prepared and served.

Mr. James Smith, the spiritualistic lecturer, was presented in Dunedin, on the 15th inst., with a purse containing 50 sovereigns.

The degree of Doctor of Divinity has been conferred on the Rev. D. M. Stuart, of Knox Church, Dunedin, by the University of St. Andrews.

During the sitting of the Warden's Court on Thursday last, Mr. Carew stated that in future all applicants for extended claims, water-races, protection certificates, &c., must either attend personally at the Court on the day of hearing, or send an agent duly authorised in writing to appear on their behalf.

A disastrous fire occurred in Timaru on Monday, the 13th inst. The fire broke out at 3.30 a.m. in the Ship Hotel, and extending right and left, destroyed, in addition to the hotel, the following premises:—R. Taylor's restaurant; the Timaru and Gladstone Gazette office; P. W. Hutton's grocery; Sheen and Co.'s, sailmakers; and Cockroft's, watchmaker. The further progress of the flames was arrested by the exertions of the Fire Brigade. The printing plant in the Gazette office was removed before the fire gained access to it; and the bulk of Mr. Hutton's stock, as well as Mr. Cockroft's, was saved. We glean the foregoing from a *Timaru Herald* Extra published on the day of the occurrence.

At the weekly meeting of the Waste Land Board held in Dunedin last Wednesday, Messrs. Macassey and Holmes, instructed by Mr. G. B. Barton, of Queenstown, made application on behalf of Mr. Kerin, for a depasturing lease of about 24 square miles of country on the northern branch of the Matitapu, about thirty miles from Cardrona. It was claimed that Mr. Kerin had discovered this tract. It was resolved that a sketch should be forwarded by him, and three months were given him to do so, and that his application be considered first of any others that might be sent in. The area applied for was, it was stated, capable of carrying about 2000 sheep. (It would seem, if the estimate of its sheep-carrying capability be correctly stated, that the country applied for cannot be of much account for depasturing purposes, nearly eight acres being allotted for every sheep.)

#### IMPROVED APPARATUS FOR PULVERISING TAILINGS.

We have been favoured by Mr. W. Watson, late of the Royal Standard battery, with the following details of an improved apparatus for pulverising tailings. The idea seems feasible, and we lay it before our readers for them to judge of its value. It will be seen to be a modification of "the berdan"; and, in the event of large quantities of pyrites being found generally through our reefs, may prove of considerable importance. The plans can be inspected at our office:—

This machine consists of two wooden horses on frames to carry the driving and vertical shafts; a basin, or pan, of cast iron; a grinder; wooden shafts; and a cast-iron cistern containing quick-silver.

Its object is to extract as much gold as possible from tailings, by the following process:—The tailings fall into a wooden shoot at the foot of the copper tables, by which they are conveyed into the grinding pan or basin, in which is inserted a grinder having an upright shaft and bevel wheel; gearing with a horizontal shaft and bevel wheel, driven by means of a belt and pulley from the main shaft. The grinder, or pulveriser, fits close to the basin, and has an adjusting screw to regulate the fineness to which the tailings may be reduced. They then pass through two or more apertures in the bottom of the grinding pan, into a wooden shoot of any convenient height, the end of which is immersed in quicksilver contained in a cistern. All the tailings must be exposed, by means of gravitation, to a pressure of mercury, thereby causing amalgamation of all the fine particles of gold that would pass over the surface of the tables and be lost. Where steam is used, a pipe may be led to heat the cistern surrounding the mercury. With this machine, all occasion for the use of blanket-tables is done away with. The cost of the apparatus, for a ten-stamp battery, would be about £100.

#### RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

THURSDAY, MAY 16.  
(Before E. H. Carey, Esq., R.M.)

**POLICE v. E. THOMPSON.**—The defendant, a hotelkeeper residing at the Nevis, was charged, on the information of Sergeant Cassels, with keeping a billiard-table on his premises without being duly licensed so to do. The defendant stated that he had for the last three years been in the habit of sending the amount of the license-fee to the Treasury in Dunedin. He had remitted the money for the current year several months ago, but had not yet received the renewal of his license in return.—The Magistrate said it was necessary for the holders of billiard-licenses to make application to the Bench for renewals: that was the proper and only course to adopt.

**G. T. STEPHENSON v. BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES.**—Claim, £50, for alleged wrongful dismissal.—Mr. Brough, who appeared for the Bank, stated that the plaintiff had been served with notice that a portion of the evidence was to be heard by the Dunedin Bench. He therefore asked for a further adjournment, as without the evidence referred to, the case could not be proceeded with.—The plaintiff submitted that the Bank had already had three weeks' notice, and it was a hardship upon him to have so much delay in the matter. The Magistrate adjourned the hearing for seven days, and declined to allow plaintiff his expenses for the day.

**JOHN PERHAM v. PETER McKAY.**—This case was adjourned, at plaintiff's request, till next Court-day.

**THOMAS HERRIGAN v. JOSEPH HOLLIDAY.**—The affidavit of service of summons in this case not having been returned from Dunedin, the hearing was ordered to stand over for a week.

**BILLIARD LICENSE.**—The application of Thos. Hazlett, Carrick Range Hotel, was granted. The applicant wished to obtain a half-yearly license, but the Magistrate said he could only grant a billiard-license for the year.

#### CARRICK RANGE QUARTZ REEFS.

The Heart of Oak Company washed up on Wednesday last. They obtained 330 ozs. 11 dwts. from 179 tons of stone. This is the largest cake of gold yet obtained from the Range. A dividend of 11s. per L.10 share has been declared by the management.

The Star of the East Company, crushing at the Elizabeth Battery, clean up to-morrow. Some 160 tons have been put through during the past fortnight. This crushing is taken entirely from the thick portion of the reef, and will inform the public and scrip-holders how this vast block of stone will pay.

The Elizabeth Company expect daily to open communication with their upper workings, by driving from their tunnel to the shaft they have sunk, following the course of the reef. It is a singular fact, but a dyke seems to have cut off, or dislocated, the reef, at the point where the tunnel should have cut it. The dyke appears to run almost at right angles to the course of the reef.

The Robert Burns Company obtained 61 ozs. of gold from 50 tons of stone. They have still a considerable quantity of surface stone to take out. The reef, at a depth, is as yet untried.

The sinking of the Colleen Bawn shaft was let at 15s. per foot.

#### QUEENSTOWN.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

May 18, 1872.

Last Monday everyone here was astounded at learning, by telegram from Mr. Innes, M.P.C., that Mr. James Macassey had presented a petition to the Provincial Council praying that Mr. Beetham, our Warden and R.M., might be removed, the petition in question being signed by 800 Chinamen. The charges alleged against Mr. Warden Beetham are partiality, prejudice, oppression, &c. &c.,—charges which, to any one acquainted with that gentleman's conduct as a Magistrate, must appear utterly absurd. The matter had been kept a profound secret from the European miners, and altogether got up in such an underhand way, that it is very generally stigmatised as a spiteful attempt of the defeated candidate at the last election, aided by one or two persons (unknown) in the district, to injure Mr. Beetham's character.

Public indignation culminated in a crowded meeting held on Thursday evening in the theatre, Mr. M. J. Mulaghan, the acting Mayor, in the chair. Were I to recapitulate the terms applied to the proceeding and the instigators of it, I fear you would have to stand a series of actions for libel. The speakers were Mr. M. J. Mulaghan, the Rev. Dr. Ross, the Rev. R. Coffey, Dr. Douglas, Mr. R. Johnston, and others. The Rev. Mr. Coffey attributed the petition to political causes, the vexation and mortification of a defeated candidate, and altogether made a capital speech, though he said he considered clergymen out of place at a meeting of that description. Resolutions were passed unanimously expressive of abhorrence of the underhand, sneaking way in which the petition had been got up, and of confidence in Mr. Beetham as our Magistrate, this last being followed by three hearty cheers for the Warden. The Rev. Mr. Coffey's resolution, "That memorials be signed and forwarded to Government against the removal of Mr. Warden Beetham," was carried with applause, and a memorial laid on the table at the close of the proceedings was signed by all who could reach it. One of the speakers, a miner, said that the Chinamen in his portion of the district denied knowing anything about the petition and attributed it to some European. He also suggested that the signatures had probably been obtained from the last shipload of Chinese when they landed, as a Sam Mou or an Ah Chee signed in Dunedin would look just as well on paper as similar names signed here.

The great law case, *Eagar v. Grace*, claim £12,000 for encroachment, in which the assessors awarded £800 damages, is shortly to be heard in the Supreme Court. The costs will soon assume a respectable figure.

The Town Hall was to have been opened with a grand concert and ball on the Queen's birthday, the 24th, but the opening has been now postponed until the 18th June. Great preparations are being made to render the concert a thorough success. As it is, we are to have a rifle match of the reconstituted Wakatipu Rifle Volunteers on the 24th, and a dramatic entertainment in the evening. The "Jane Williams" steamer is also advertised to make an excursion trip up the Lake on that day.

I hear a new method of dredging is about to be tried on the Shotover, the floating dredge being dispersed with and the operations conducted from either bank. The most important advantage claimed for the invention is that the depth of water in the river is unimportant.

The weather latterly has been a mixture of rain and sunshine, frost and snow. As we progress further into the middle of winter we may hope to experience the frosty nights and bright calm days for which the winter weather of our Lake district is so famed.

Since 1867 the National debt has been reduced by £12,740,000.

At Foleshill, near Coventry, a young man, named Oldham, beat his mother to death with an iron candlestick.

In Britain, robbery with violence is now invariably punished with the lash, in addition to a long term of imprisonment.

The Tichborne claimant remains in Newgate. He has published a letter appealing to the public for subscriptions to aid his defence, solemnly asserting he is the real Sir Roger.

#### CROMWELL SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

On Thursday evening last an adjourned meeting of this Committee was held in the School-room. There were present Messrs. John Marsh (Chairman), I. Wright, D. A. Jolly, J. A. Matthews, and the acting secretary, Mr. D. MacKellar.

The Secretary stated that the audit of accounts had not yet been completed, but it would be submitted at an early date.

A copy of the Education Bill to be laid before the General Assembly at its ensuing session was laid on the table by the Secretary. The Committee unanimously adopted a resolution expressing their general approval of the principles of the Bill, with the exception of those embodied in the clauses referring to aided schools.

A circular from the Education Board, dated 23rd March, 1872, and enclosing the following memorandum, was read:—

"On and after October 1, 1872, if a vacancy should occur in the office of teacher, the Education Board will read and Cromwell School as only a Side School, under Regulations 3 and 4, March 21, 1872; but in consideration of Mr. MacKellar's long and efficient services he will retain the status and be paid the salary of a Main School teacher, so long as the Inspector reports favourably of his school."

[The regulations quoted stipulate that an average attendance of at least forty pupils is requisite to constitute a Main School.]

It having been mentioned that heretofore no religious instruction of any kind had been imparted to the scholars by the teacher, the Committee agreed that it was desirable the provisions of the Education Ordinance relative to the reading of the Bible should be complied with; and a resolution was moved instructing the teacher to cause a portion of the Scriptures to be read in school daily—subject, however, to the proviso that those children whose parents do not wish them to receive religious instruction in the school shall be permitted to absent themselves during the time allotted for such instruction.

The Acting Secretary read a circular from the Committee of the Association in lately organised in Dunedin for the promotion of National Education; together with copies of petitions proposed to be presented to both branches of the New Zealand Legislature on the same subject.

The Committee, as such, decided not to take any action in the matter; but they individually expressed their hearty concurrence in the object of the Association, and practically demonstrated their sympathy with the movement by enrolling themselves as members and paying the quarterly fee (2s. 6d. each). The petitions were signed by all the members of the Committee present, two of whom volunteered to canvass for a additional signatures.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman closed the meeting.

We append a copy of the petition addressed to the House of Representatives. The other is exactly similar, except that it is addressed to the Legislative Council:—

"To the Honorable the Members of the House of Representatives of the Colony of New Zealand, in Parliament assembled:—

"The Petition of the undersigned Inhabitants of the district of Kawarau, in the Province of Otago, in the Colony of New Zealand, Humbly Sheweth:—

"That your petitioners have learned with satisfaction that it is proposed to introduce a measure at the approaching session of Parliament, for the purpose of providing for the more extended diffusion of elementary instruction, and for the elevation of the standard of Popular Education throughout the Colony. They are prepared to give their cordial approbation to any measure which will ensure to the people of New Zealand a broad, liberal, and national system of Education."

"That your petitioners believe that any legislation on this very important subject should be such as will enable the advantages of the Public Schools to be shared by all on equal terms, whatever may be their religious creeds or opinions."

"Your petitioners are convinced that any scheme which affords State aid to Denominational Schools will be unjust to the taxpayers, as involving a diversion of public funds to sectarian purposes, and that in practice it will be attended by many serious evils. It is admitted that in older and more populated countries the denominational system has not worked well, and has to a great extent failed to meet their educational wants. And your petitioners are firmly of opinion that such a system is peculiarly unsuited to the circumstances of a young and thinly populated Colony."

"Your petitioners do not seek that the reading of the Bible in schools should be either enjoined or prohibited by the Legislature; but they are of opinion that the decision of that question should be left to the School Committees, subject to the provision of a timetable convenient class."

"Your petitioners are therefore opposed to any assistance being granted towards the establishment of Denominational schools."

"May it therefore please your Honourable House to pass such an Education Bill into law as will establish Common National Schools on a comprehensive basis, and prevent the application of public money towards sectarian or denominational teaching."

"And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray."

**Holloway's Pills**, a cure for Bile, Liver, Stomach and Bowel Complaints.—These diseases are most prevalent in hot, dry, and sultry weather, and if not abated by the timely use of proper medicines, frequently lay the foundation of disorders which become unable to avoid which take Holloway's Pills, there being no medicine so efficacious in the cure of these complaints, not only that they rid the liver of its bile, but they likewise open a keen appetite and permanently invigorate the constitution. Persons of all ages may take these invaluable Pills with perfect safety, for sick headaches, disordered stomachs, weakness, and debility.

A married lady in Connecticut, recently fell into a river and would have been drowned except that her cries attracted the attention of her husband, who, mistaking her for another woman, worked like a beaver to get her out.

## WARDEN'S COURT, CROMWELL.

THURSDAY, MAY 16.

(Before E. H. Carew, Esq., Judge and Warden.)

**A CAUTION TO ALIENS (and others).**—Six Chinamen (from Bendigo) were charged, on the information of Sergeant Cassels, with mining for gold without being possessed of miners' rights. The offence was held proved against all the delinquents, who were fined 10s. each, in addition to 11s. costs of Court.

**STEPHENSON, HISSINS, and HEBBERT v. GILBERT M'CAE.**—The complainants (for whom Mr Allanby appeared) sought to recover from defendant the sum of £4 11s. for wages due to them on account of work done in the Caledonian quartz-claim, together with a further sum of 9s. paid on defendant's behalf for mining-tools.—Defendant said he had not been furnished with any bill of particulars, and he therefore pleaded not indebted.—G. T. Stephenson, miner, stated: I am one of the complainants, and a working shareholder in the Caledonian claim. The defendant lately held a twelfth share in the claim. About seven weeks ago, a call of £4 11s. per share, in addition to 9s. for tools, was made on account of working expenses. The rate of wages paid was £3 12s. a week to each of the four men then employed. The defendant was made aware of the call having been made, but wished to deduct from the amount a sum alleged to be owing to him by one of the working shareholders, and offered to pay 16s. on account of the call.—In answer to the Warden, the defendant acknowledged the fact of the call having been made, but asked to be furnished with particulars. The Warden remarked that as defendant had acknowledged the call, he was liable for the amount of it. Defendant then agreed to pay the claim, and judgment was given for £5, together with 11s. costs of Court, and £1 1s. counsel's fee.

**JOSEPH BERRY and GUSTAVUS RENDALL v. SAMUEL CHAMPION.**—Claim £20 17s. 6d., balance of wages due to complainants for work done on the Bannockburn Water Race. Defendant pleaded not indebted. Mr Allanby, for complainants, called Joseph Berry, who stated: I am one of four shareholders in the Bannockburn Water Race. The other shareholders are Rendall, Champion, and Frennesson. Rendall and I are working shareholders. It was arranged that we were to receive 25s. a week each from the sleeping shareholders; and the expenses were to be defrayed by the four shareholders in equal proportions. Rendall and I have each received 25s. a week up to the time mentioned in the claim. When asked to pay the amount claimed, defendant did not dispute the fact of its being due, but said he could not pay it. There is a wages-man employed by the party, who also receives 25s. a week. We have paid him our share of his wages, but not Champion's share. The amount now sued for includes the proportion due by Champion to the wages-man.—At this stage, his Worship recommended Mr Allanby to withdraw the case, and bring it before the Court in proper form next Court-day. The complainants could not recover wages due to another.—The case was accordingly withdrawn.

## APPLICATIONS.

**Extended Claims.**—John Bailey and another, Bailey's Gully; (no appearance).—T. Cooper and another, Geordie's Terrace, Linlis River; granted.—Wm. Radford, right-hand branch of Smith's Gully; granted.—John Barr, Bailey's Gully; granted.—Tung Oh Hee and another, Bannockburn; granted.—Ah Yett, near Bannockburn; granted.—L. C. Duns, Adams's Gully, adjoining the claim of Samuel Matter; objected to by D. Moore, and refused.—Chung Kam and two others, Dead Horse Gully; granted.—See Ah Tan and four others, Nevis Gorge; granted.

**Protection.**—Henry Wilson and five others, sixty days for a quartz-claim at the Carrick Range; granted, (two men to be kept at work).—Robert Burns & Co., registered, sixty days; granted, (two men to be employed).—Edward Bazzard and five others, sixty days for a quartz claim. (No appearance).—Henry Summers and five others, sixty days for quartz claim No. 1 east of Star of the East (to test reef); granted. Archibald Sutherland, ninety days for alluvial claim at the Nevis, (cause, inclemency of weather); granted.—James Gibson and five others, thirty days for the Welcome quartz claim, (to test reef); granted.

**Tail Races.**—John Bailey and another, Bailey's Gully; granted.—Chung Kam and two others, Dead Horse Gully; granted.—Wm. Benn and another, left-hand branch of Smith's Gully; granted.—See Ah Tan and five others, Nevis Gorge; granted.

**Water Races.**—Thomas Cooper and another, two sluice-heads from Geordie's Creek, near Linlis; granted.—Chung Kam and two others, two sluice-heads from Dead-horse Gully; granted.

**Residence Areas.**—Henry Norman, one acre, at Newcastle; granted.—James Partridge, 200 yards east of Escott's farm, Lowburn; granted.

**Dams.**—C. Colclough, manager of Nil Desperandum & Co., registered, applied for leave to construct a dam in Pipeclay Gully. Objections were made on behalf of the Robert Burns Company, and consideration of the application was postponed for a fortnight.

## PROVINCIAL COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 10th MAY.

## RAILWAYS.

Dr Webster asked a question as to the present position of the survey on the Waitaki and Moeraki railway, which was answered by Mr Reid; and, in reply to Mr M'Kenzie, Mr Reid stated that the General Government had been advised to proceed with the survey of a line between Dunedin and Waikouaiti as soon as possible.

## NASEBY.

It was recommended that a small parcel of land should be set aside for purposes of recreation at Naseby.

## OTAGO UNIVERSITY.

The Hon. Mr M'Lean moved that His Honor the Superintendent be recommended to reserve 100,000 acres of pastoral land for the benefit of the Otago University.

A considerable discussion ensued, in the course of which Mr M'Dermid moved as an amendment, that 500,000 acres should be set aside for the elementary schools of the Province; but afterwards withdrew, in the mean-

time, his amendment, promising to bring it forward again in another shape.

The original motion was carried.

The only other matter of any importance was a motion by Dr Webster in reference to the Dunedin Hospital, the first clause of which was "that one half of the whole expenses should be continued to be defrayed by the Province, and the other half by public contribution." There were four other clauses in the motion chiefly relative to the manner of management of the institution.

The first clause, after some discussion was put and lost; and the others were withdrawn temporarily.

MONDAY, 13th MAY.

Mr Sumpter asked the Provincial Secretary why effect had not been given to the resolution passed last session,—asking the Government to publish in the Gazette, at the end of every year, a complete alphabetical list of all persons whose Crown Grants were ready for issue.

Mr Reid replied that the expense incurred in the preparation and publishing of such a list would be too great.

Mr Shepherd moved, "That the following petitions be referred to the Gold-fields Committee:—(1) Petition from the Mayor and Councillors of the Municipality of Alexandra. (2) Petition from the Royal Standard Quartz Mining Company." Carried.

On the motion of Mr Cutten, the Council resolved to express its thanks to the Volunteer Representatives of Otago in the Annual Interprovincial Rifle Match of 1872, for the able and successful manner in which they represented the Province.

The following motion was put and carried:—"That an area not exceeding four acres be set apart for each agricultural or agricultural and pastoral society in the Province."

Mr G. F. C. Browne moved—"That the following clauses be added to the Waste Land Resolutions:—(1) Every holder of a miner's right having a claim within a Hundred or block and every holder of a business license occupying land by virtue of license within a Hundred or block shall be entitled to run two head of great cattle free of charge. (2) Every holder or occupier of any land within a Hundred or block under or by virtue of a mineral lease or license shall be entitled to run three head of great cattle by paying the assessment provided by the Otago Waste Lands Resolutions." The motion was carried.

Mr Reid moved—"That this Council, having had under its consideration the Otago Waste Lands Bill, passed by the House of Representatives during the last session of the General Assembly, and having made certain amendments therein and added certain resolutions thereto:—Resolved: That a Bill be prepared embodying the resolutions as now passed, with a view to the Land Laws of the Province being simplified and consolidated into one Act, in accordance with the desire of the inhabitants of the Province, as expressed by its representatives in this Council. That a copy of the Bill (as soon as it is printed) be forwarded to each member of the Colonial Legislature, and that they be requested to give it their support in the Assembly, and endeavour to get it passed into law. That Mr Speaker be requested to forward a copy of the above resolutions to each member of the General Assembly." Motion carried.

TUESDAY, 14th MAY.

## EDUCATION ORDINANCE, 1864.

Mr Macassey asked the Provincial Solicitor—"Whether the words 'reading the Bible,' in the 40th clause of the 'Education Ordinance, 1864,' implied that the Bible should be read without note or comment; and whether the words 'instruction' meant the reading only?"

Mr Bathgate said: I am of opinion that the words "the Holy Scriptures shall be read daily," mean that the Bible shall be read daily without note or comment, and the words "such instruction" refer to such reading only. It seems to me to be clear that the will and purpose of the Legislature were to limit religious instruction to the simple reading of the Bible as commanded. I may state that the interpretation which I have given is that which is put on the Ordinance by the Education Board.

## QUARTZ REEF POINT TRACK.

Mr Hickey asked the Secretary for Works what steps the Government had taken towards the construction of the track from Quartz Reef Point to Cromwell Bridge?

Mr Bradshaw: The Government gave instructions to the Engineer of Road and Works to prepare specifications in connection with the work. It was found, however, that the estimate was so much more than the vote that it was thought the Government would not be justified in advertising for tenders.

## CHINESE PETITION.

Mr Macassey moved—"That the petition of 827 Chinese residents in the Wakatip District be referred to a Select Committee, with power to call for persons and papers."—The petition requests the removal of Mr Warden Beetham. A considerable discussion ensued as to whether it should not be rejected; but many members expressed an opinion that an enquiry should be instituted, being certain that such enquiry would only redound to Mr Beetham's credit. The motion was eventually carried.

A motion was carried recommending the Superintendent to reserve 500,000 acres as an endowment for the ordinary schools of the Province.

Mr Hickey moved—"That the petition of the Cromwell Quartz Reefing Company be referred to the Goldfields Committee." Motion carried.

## THE EDUCATION QUESTION.

Mr Macassey moved:—(1) That this Council recognise the right of the Roman Catholic body to participate in the annual grant for educational purposes. (2) That the Government be requested to bring in a Bill to amend the Education Ordinances, with a view to the distribution among Roman Catholic Schools of a just and fair proportion of the Education Grant.—He supported the motion by a long speech, at the conclusion of which he was loudly applauded.

Mr Armstrong seconded the motion. A number of the members spoke to the motion, many thinking the question ought to be left to the General Assembly. At half-past eleven, the debate was adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, 15th MAY.

A memorandum from the Superintendent in reference to Mr Macassey's motion regarding Judge Ward's appointment was read. It stated that the General Government had appointed Mr Ward, although his salary was charged to the Province. It also stated that the reason for his appointment was that, since the arrival of several legal practitioners in the Goldfields towns, Mr Wilson Gray's time had been unequal to the whole business of the District Courts throughout the Province.

## EDUCATION.

The debate on Mr Macassey's motion was resumed; and so many amendments, substantive motions, and further amendments were proposed shortly, that Mr Tolmie moved the adjournment of the debate, that members might get out of the fog into which they had drifted. The debate was adjourned accordingly.

Mr Tolmie moved for a return of the numbers of patients in all hospitals in the Province out of Dunedin, and their daily cost, which return was ordered to be laid on the table.

Mr Barr moved for all communications which had taken place between the General and Provincial Governments regarding Mr Ormond's celebrated "Chinese circular." Carried.

Mr Mervyn proposed a motion in regard to the rent of agricultural leaseholders, which is shortly as follows:—"That in the event of this Council's Land Resolutions failing to become law, the Government be authorised to reduce the yearly rental paid by agricultural leaseholders on the Goldfields from 2s. 6d. to 1s. 6d. per acre, such reduction to come into operation after January 1, 1873." Motion carried.

The same member also moved for a return of all applications received, and those granted, for agricultural leases during three years past; but Mr Reid stated that the officials would have no time to prepare it, so the motion was lost.

Some other unimportant business was transacted, and the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, 16th MAY.

## MOA FLAT SALE.

Mr Bastings asked if the Government would place £10,000 on the estimates for public works in the district in which 45,000 acres have lately been sold?

Mr Bradshaw answered that the land was sold for the purpose of paying for public works previously constructed; and the Government did not intend to place that sum on the Estimates.

## GOLD EXPORT DUTY.

Mr Hickey moved—"That, in the opinion of this Council, the Gold Export Duty should be reduced at the rate of 6d. per ounce each year until such duty is entirely abolished." He said that however justifiable the tax might have been before roads were constructed, and other public works carried out, it ought to be partially, if not wholly, abolished now. He pointed out that the tax was felt to be very oppressive, and showed the necessity of encouraging and assisting the miners, who, in days gone by, developed the resources of the country in the face of considerable disadvantages and privations. Mining had become almost a science, and with a view of contributing to the welfare of the country generally, those persons still engaged in that industry should be shown some consideration, in order that they might be induced to remain in the country.

Mr Reid moved, as an amendment, "That all the words in the motion after the word 'reduced' be struck out."

The amendment was carried. On the motion of Mr G. F. C. Browne, the amendment was amended by adding the words:—"And that an address be presented to His Honor the Superintendent, requesting him to forward this resolution to the General Assembly."

Mr Macassey moved—"That an address be presented to His Honor the Superintendent, requesting him to transmit to this Council the official reports received from the Warden of the Wakatip district during the past three years." Carried.

Some other unimportant business was transacted; and then the Council went into debate on the Education question. It would be quite impossible for us, with our limited space, to give even a digest of what was said and done; but the following motion, proposed by Mr Cutten, was eventually carried by 19 votes to 17:—"That this Council is of opinion that the Education Ordinance of Otago has worked satisfactorily in the past, and regrets that any section of the community should refuse to avail itself of the provisions of that Ordinance; but, in order to remove any objection to a general system of education, resolves that any Colonial or National plan of education will not be satisfactory unless the teaching be of a purely unsectarian character."

## THE SUEZ MAIL.

Preserved meats are reported considerably lower.

The Queen is at Baden Baden, in strict privacy.

A fatal prize-fight has taken place near Dartford, Kent.

Cambridge won the University Boat Race by a length and a half.

The expenses of the Tichborne trial are said to be not less than £120,000.

Edinburgh is again threatened with the "fearful calamity" of a scavengers' strike.

An influential committee has been formed at Bombay to raise funds for a memorial to Lord Mayo.

The House of Commons rejected Mr Vernon Harcourt's motion to reduce the national expenditure.

Mazzini died suddenly at Pisa. He was buried at Geneva, and his funeral was attended by eighty thousand persons.

In replying to Lord Derby, Mr Gladstone said that the Ministry would fully maintain their position in the Alabama case.

The Paris *Soir*, speaking of the Thanksgiving Day in London, says:—"There were only seventy wounded and one killed."

The boy O'Connor, who insulted the Queen, has been sentenced to one year's imprisonment with hard labour, and twenty lashes.

A Spanish metrical translator of the Psalms has received an autograph letter from the Pope, who blesses the work and the author.

The exports for February and March show a moderate increase. To New Zealand, the increase over the previous month is £22,500.

The Indian Council have granted a pension of £500 a year to the widow of Mr Justice Norman, who was murdered at Calcutta some months ago.

Victor Emmanuel killed in one day later with his own unaided rifle, 17 wild boars and various other wild animals, including a "veteran old wolf."

The claimant in the Tichborne case has been arraigned, and pleaded not guilty. He was removed to the Queen's Bench to await his trial, which commences in June.

Mr John Goss, the famous organist, is to be knighted, the immediate cause of the honour being the music furnished by him for the Thanksgiving ceremony in St Paul.

Several carriages belonging to the Emperor Napoleon were bought at an auction in London on March 13th by an undertaker who purposes to convert them into mourning coaches.

The Queen has conferred an annuity of £250 on John Brown, and has also presented him with a watch, for his "active devotion in seizing Arthur O'Connor, the lad who presented an unloaded pistol at her."

At a monster meeting in Manchester Mr Disraeli defended the Throne as the source of all the blessings which the British enjoy. He also demonstrated its cheapness, and spoke in defence of the House of Lords.

Mrs Victoria Woodhull, of free-love notoriety, has signified her intention of sending out five hundred female orators to stump the States, and press before the electors her claims as a candidate for the Presidency.

The wool sales terminated on 1st March. They were characterised by almost unexampled animation. The article attained a higher value than known during the present generation. The prospects of the next sales are excellent.

Practical steps are being taken towards making the proposed submarine tunnel between England and France. One-third of the £30,000 which it is supposed will suffice for cutting the experimental driftway, has been subscribed.

Mr Lowe has made his financial statement. Last year's expenditure is one million less than the money voted. The estimated expenditure for the coming year is seventy-one millions odd, and the revenue nearly seventy-five millions.

Mr Robertson Gladstone's experiment of the reduction of drunkenness in Liverpool by the publication of the names of the apprehended tipplers has failed. The number of excessive drinkers has not been reduced, but if anything, has been increased.

The Prince and Princess of Wales have arrived at Rome. The Prince had a lengthy audience with the Pope, who congratulated him upon his recovery, and expressed his thanks to Queen Victoria for the constant evidences of her sympathy. He also praised the religious feeling of the British.

Mr Murphy the Anti-Popery Lecturer, died on March 12, at Sparbrook, Birmingham. Since the maltreatment which he received at Whitehaven he had not spoken in public, and had been gradually sinking. The *Record* in an article on the death of Mr Murphy, says that he has died a martyr to the cause of Protestantism as really as if he had been burned at Smithfield for his faith.

Chaffers, an attorney, in a statutory declaration, published some infamous details of the early life of Sir Travers and Lady Twist. Chaffers was prosecuted for libel, and during the proceedings tortured the lady by putting the most filthy questions. The libellous statements were disproved, but Lady Twist suddenly left London and the case collapsed. Sir Travers has since resigned his position as Queen's Advocate.

The 11 special jurors in the Tichborne case have been paid their fees for attendance for the last 33 days. The solicitors on both sides agreed on a former occasion to pay the jury between them. The first sitting extended over 40 days, the second 30, and the last sitting 33 days, making 103 guineas to each, amounting in the whole to £1167 13s. one half of which was paid by the solicitors for the Claimant. The special jury had been granted on the application of the other side.



## STEWART'S ISLAND.

In contemplation of a Scandinavian settlement being formed in this outlying portion of our Province, it may perchance prove interesting to our readers if we lay before them some of the results of the reports of Professor James G. Black and the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Invercargill, on their visit of enquiry as to its suitability for settlement. The party consisted of Messrs Cutten, Sale, Macgregor, Pearson, and Black. The eastern portion of the coast alone was examined.

Port William, the nearest harbour to the Bluff, is twenty miles distant; it is easily entered with any wind, "as its entrance is more than a mile and a half wide." There is an inner entrance about sixty chains in width, (admitting vessels of large tonnage,) to the inner portion of which the term "Port William" is now restricted. "From its position it will probably be the most important harbour in Stewart's Island. The land is of superior quality, as evidenced by the crops obtained from the small patches which have been cultivated. Though as a rule hilly, it is not too steep for cultivation, and is so situated that the greater portion of the slopes have a north-east aspect."—*Southland Gazette*, Jan. 21, 1867.

The bay is full of small, sheltered coves and nooks, and contains, in its timber and fish resources, valuable adjuncts to the harbour.

The interior of the island is a perfect terra incognita, from its being covered with dense bush, growing over steep and rugged hillsides.

Writing of Horseshoe Bay, Professor Black reports:—"It is difficult to do justice to the beauty of the long beach of fine sand that forms the western limit of this Bay. Sweeping round for a mile in one continuous curve in the form of a quadrant of a circle, it merges, by insensible gradations, in the lofty penicircular bank of wooded hills that rise immediately in the rear. There is little land in the Bay that admits of cultivation."

Half-moon Bay, with a wider entrance than the former, and reaching further inland, is better protected from winds; while "the low beaches in this Bay, as in many other parts of the island, are connected with the interior of the country by some extent of comparatively flat land, offering great facilities for cultivation. There is a large extent of country in the rear of this Bay that could easily be reclaimed, and that would in a few years amply repay the labour of clearing it. A number of families, chiefly Germans, have settled in this part of the island. They have already cleared from 80 to 100 acres of ground, and are growing excellent crops of oats, potatoes, and turnips; while their grass paddocks and vegetable and fruit gardens are scarcely equalled in the long-settled districts in the neighbourhood of Dunedin. I have never seen a population more satisfied with their own condition, nor better supplied with the necessities of life."

Paterson Inlet, (which probably owes its configuration to the same cause as the Sounds on the West Coast of this Province,) is described as likely to form the most important harbour for trading purposes in the island. The party was favourably impressed with the climate, beauty, and fertility of this part of the island. Professor Black says:—"The ironwood with which it is at present encumbered will, one would think, some day command a price that will pay for its removal, and then thousands of acres of good land will be added to the productive resources of the country."

The whole of this portion of the island is described as being of granitic formation, traversed by dykes of hornblende, and later granite.

With respect to the mining aspect of the island, Mr Pearson says:—

"The deposits of iron sand are considerable not only in the harbours, but in the interior; particularly in a species of rift between Half-moon Bay and Paterson Inlet, where the deposit is very great, estimated to exceed that of Taranaki. A parcel was sent some time ago for assay to Melbourne; and the assayers of the Victorian Government and the Oriental Bank, after smelting and manufacturing a steel bar from it, reported that it was not only superior to the Taranaki sand, but contained a sufficient quantity of gold to pay the expenses of smelting. Copper has been found, as also lead ore impregnated with silver."

"This sand would form rich ballast for ships from Otago, and could be put on board with ease, and at no great expense, as there is always deep water in the harbours. Quartz reefs, of size, and well defined, have been discovered in various parts of the island, more particularly at the north end, although the hasty, ill-advised and worse conducted enterprise, which started from Invercargill a few months ago, failed to discover a rich reef, it was mainly owing to the fact that while a great deal of money was expended by persons entirely unacquainted with the business, little or no real work was done. A few experienced reefers who went at the time have all expressed their confidence in the undertaking ultimately proving success, and are only waiting a sufficiency of means to give it a good trial. If payable reefs are discovered, it will prove in extent the largest, and, from its admirable communication, most economically worked, gold-fields in the Australasian group. The introduction of a large population, as that in contemplation will prove the means of testing this, with the other resources of the island. Keeping in view I would suggest the advisability of encouraging settlers from the coast of New Zealand. They are not only hardy, expert

fishermen and boat builders, but have a practical knowledge of mining and metallurgy, which, as they would be constantly in the localities, would prove of greater service in discovering any mineral wealth which may exist, than a higher grade of science visiting the island for a few weeks, though sent for the express purpose."

Summing up its general capabilities for settlement, Mr Pearson writes:—

"Stewart Island is so singularly favourably situated for the proper class of settlers, that it is difficult to determine what they could not do. With good crafts, bold hearts, and skilful hands, the fishermen could, at the proper season, vary the ordinary business of his life by the exciting occupation of whaling and sealing. The waters in the vicinity of the island were at one time frequented by large numbers of the various members of the Cetaceous and Phocidae families. Indeed, at Wilson, or Broad Bay, there was, years ago, a very considerable whaling settlement; and from what I can learn, the whales and seals are beginning to return to their old haunts. Though there is no occasion for him to confine his energies to his own territory, like the Vikings of old, he can, though with a more peaceful intent, steer his bark to foreign shores. He can wage war on the seal at the Auckland, Campbell, and Macquarrie Islands to the south, or seek it in the numerous caves in the deep sounds of the west coast of the main, from Preservation Inlet to Martin's Bay. He can cruise through Foveaux Strait and round his island home in pursuit of the richest fish the sea produces—the whale; or sail to the Snares for mutton birds, and albatross and other sea-fowl feathers. The first, dried and smoked, sell readily at from four to five shillings a dozen wholesale in the local market, for exportation to the North; and feathers—mutton bird at fivepence a pound, albatross for considerably more. With a craft of his own, the Stewart Islander can take his mutton birds not required for home consumption to the best market, the North Island, where the Maoris, I understand, give as high as twelve or more shillings a dozen for them; and he can, unlike the ordinary whaler, do all this without risk, danger, or loss of time, always within easy reach of his home. While trawling, if he sees a whale, he can, if prepared, give chase, and, if he gets his monster fish, tow it home and try it out at his leisure; if he loses it, go on trawling, always sure of a return of some sort. He lives in a genial climate, with the means of subsistence, nay, wealth at command, and surrounded with such comfort as few of his calling experience, either in the home country or the bitter winters of Nova Scotia. To the fishermen the Government propose to bring out, or Nova Scotians, Stewart Island will prove a very paradise."

"The scenery is magnificent. At the south and west coasts of the island, the weird appearance of the jagged mountains—the fantastic fissures in the bare rocky islands and coast, worn by the turbulent seas to which they are exposed—the lofty cones of bare granite—the singular colour of the rocks abutting on the ocean, unite in conferring a degree of grandeur to the tableau such as I have not seen equalled in any part of New Zealand—while the natural beauty of the landscape in Paterson Inlet and Port Pegasus is equal to that of the Sydney Harbour, setting on one side of course the artificial adjuncts of cultivated shores and ornamented villas."

It will thus be seen that, apart from the timber and fisheries of Stewart's Island, it contains many of the essential elements of a successful settlement: among them, available agricultural land and known mineral wealth. Our knowledge of its geological formation is too meagre to form an opinion as to whether coal may be found in some undiscovered localities. Probably not. But when the Southland coal-basin is proved, fuel, limestone, fireclay, and all the material necessary for blasting-furnaces will be easy of access, to utilise the titaniferous sands of this new settlement. Whatever may be the opinion of inducing the Norsemen to occupy this portion of our "waste" land, it is only wise to remember two facts:—1. By climatic education and mode of life, they are eminently fitted for the task assigned them.—2. We are attempting to "call back" the hardihood, frugality, and endurance of our Saxon forefathers, by "tapping" the old ethnological spring from which most that is worthy of commendation in our present mixed generation has descended.

A loving wife in Danbury, Conn., on the decease of her husband, sent the following telegram to a distant friend:—"Dear John is dead. Loss fully covered by insurance."

When a lady fainted at a Wisconsin party, a gentleman thought he could resuscitate her by biting her ear. She recovered promptly. He is going around with a poultice on his ear.

A Pious Carrier.—A Scotch carrying firm in the last century announced that a waggon would leave Edinburgh for Inverness "every Tuesday, God willing; but on Wednesday, whether or no!"

A monkey-faced fellow went to Garrick, requesting leave to join his troupe. "I am sorry," said Garrick, "I have no opening at present; but if you had a tail, no monkey should part us."

An amateur, who was imperfect in his part, was playing Don Cesar de Bazan, when he spoke as follows:—"I've got the King!" (Pause.) "I've got the Queen!" (A longer pause, during which he waited anxiously for the word from the prompter.) During this pause, a digger in the gallery observed, "Well, old man, if you haven't got the best bower, I'm blest if you won't be euehred."

## Sledging in Berlin.

The following sketch is by a correspondent of the London *Daily Telegraph*:—

A fictitious liveliness, that will melt away under the breath of the first southerly wind, has been for the last day or two imparted to this most melancholy of cities by "the tintinnabulation of the bells, bells, bells," which are incessantly ringing, day and night, in every quarter of the German capital. An eruption of bells has broken out all over harness of every description; the late droschky horses, now attached to clumsy sledges very much resembling old-fashioned country ponies, are attended, as they hobble along, by joyful sounds that seem to mock the utter dolefulness of their aspect and gait. An adjutant's horse is a low-spirited beast, as a rule; but, compared with a Berlin droschky horse, he is a very Joe Miller among horses. There is a deep and abiding mournfulness about the latter quadruped that seldom fails to impart itself to him who hires a hack conveyance in this city with the purpose of saving time. An Irish friend, driving down the Dinden with me the other day, in one of the ramshackle old wind-traps that are called by a name which, on the banks of the Neva, is synonymous with a Mazeppa-like sort of locomotion, observed, as we jolted along, "Barring we stopped altogether, I don't see how we could go any slower than this." This may sound like a bull, but it aptly described, I assure you, the rate of our progress. The droschky-horse has attained the minimum of speed consistent with physical movement, and is, moreover, the most sorrowful-looking creature in the universe. To hang him with bells is indeed a mockery. His every stumble is announced by a merry chime; he tinkles as he halts, and peals when he falls down. The typical Berlin sledge is a square, punt-like box, the bottom about six inches from the snow, fastened on two stout wooden bars curved like inverted carriage-shafts; inside, two leather-covered seats, and a rough horse-cloth for the knees of the "fare." On the box, which is level with the said seats, a gloomy-visaged being sits, in blue camlet, with an indefinite number of futile capes, and a tall, glazed, chimney-pot hat bearing on its front a huge brass number at once staring and ghastly. Before him is a weird and wizen quadruped, of shattered constitution, whose legs are mere figures of speech, slack in the loins, heavy-headed, and apparently broken-hearted; generally a cast-cavalry troop-horse, out of which a conscious and thrifty Administration has taken all the "go" worth mention before selling it for three or four pounds to a purveyor of locomotion. Very old, feeble, and down upon his luck is that unhappy beast; true, he is never over-driven, for his Jehu invariably allows him to moon along at his leisure; but even the wabbling stagger which he conscientiously performs when called upon for an effort appears to cost him painful exertion. Droschky horses grunt; and well they may, poor wretches! They had a pretty rough time of it when they were "in the service"; they began troop-work when they were three-year-olds, before their spines were thoroughly stiffened; they slaved away for seven or eight years, with as few holidays as the soldiers who successively bestride them; and, when age and infirmity came upon them, unfitting them for regimental duty, instead of being pensioned like two-legged warriors, or mercifully converted into ruddy and toothsome sausages, they are transferred to new owners, who make them work from twelve to sixteen hours out of the twenty-four, and give them just enough of food to keep body and soul together. It may fairly be doubted whether a Prussian horse of plebeian extraction ever enjoys a full "blo-oat" of oats from the day of his birth to that of his death, unless he has been fortunate enough to take part in a campaign in an enemy's country. A droschky suits his appearance—equus and equipage are worthy of each other; but in a sledge, associated as is that vehicle with ideas of velocity, space-devouring, and earth-spurning, he is a dismal anomaly.

## Quaint Customs in Kwei-Chow.

There are four subdivisions of this tribe, known respectively as the "Stirrups," the "Bigheads," and the "Tsang-bamboos." Though there may be said to be little in common between the clan known as the Flowery Miao and ourselves, there is one bond that connects us: their women wear false hair. Their manner, however, of obtaining it is somewhat different to that adopted amongst ourselves, for, not having arrived at a sufficiently civilised state to have established a market in human hair, they take what they want from the tails of horses. These people, too, delight in open-air amusements, and vary their *ad fresco* musical performances on the "sang," a kind of hand-organ, and castanets, with dancing and frolicsome play, which not unfrequently ends in precipitate marriages. Their funeral rites are peculiar. They bury their dead without coffins of any kind, and choose the ground for the grave by throwing down an egg. If the egg breaks in the fall, the omen is not propitious, and they try elsewhere; if it does not break, they accept the sign as marking the spot as a fitting one for their purpose. One other clan of Miao, named the "Black," manage their love affairs in the same unrestricted fashion. They also choose the spring for their amours, and at that season the youth of both sexes assemble on the lofty mountain peaks to feast and make merry. The act of drinking together out of the same horn is considered as equivalent to the marriage-bond. A peculiar and

fantastic device is adopted by the youths and maidens of the Kee-yew-chung tribe to mark their preference for one another. In the "leaping month," they make coloured balls with strings attached, and throw them at those whose attentions they desire to gain. Tying the balls together is considered a formal engagement of marriage. Only in one of these mountain tribes does there appear to be any trace of "marriage by capture." The queerest, but not the least-known custom observable among the Miao-tsze, is that of the "convade." When a woman of the tribe gives birth to a child, her husband takes her place in the bed, while she gets up, and performs not only her household duties, but nurses with the utmost care the pseudo-invalid. For a whole month the husband "lies in," and the completion of this period is made the occasion of feasting and rejoicing. Marco Polo mentions this custom as prevailing with the natives of Yunnan; and as it is entirely unknown amongst the Chinese, the probability is that the clan of which we speak are descendants of the Lao who inhabited that province in the days of the great Venetian traveller.—*Cornhill Magazine*.

## A Mining Swindle.

In a previous issue we referred to the fact that the Felix mine had turned out a duffer, and that suspicions were entertained that the trial crushings, on the faith of which the present holders were induced to advance capital to develop the mine, had been salted. The shareholders and directors, who were themselves taken in, are so convinced of the matter that they are now raising subscriptions amongst themselves for the purpose of instituting criminal proceedings against those who are suspected of having perpetrated the swindle. The company is now being wound up, and liquidated voluntarily. The whole affair appears to be a gross swindle, although it was certainly cleverly executed, for among those who suffer most heavily by the transaction are Messrs John Stanning (manager of the Central Italy) and J. W. Walker (manager of the All Nations, and late of the Long Drive), both of whom are men of very large mining experience. So confident were these and other gentlemen of the genuineness of the mine and the crushings, that they never parted with their interests, although the original shareholders cleared out as soon as possible, and at the time of the crash only one of them held the small interest of 50 scrip. The result of the late crushing at Russell's battery was so wretchedly poor that suspicions were at once aroused, for out of 40 tons put through the mill, only 5 dwts. of gold were obtained. The directors reported as follows to the meeting of shareholders, at which it was decided to wind up the company:—"In 1871, three crushings were made, viz.:—July 1, 5½ tons, producing 8 ozs. 5 dwts. 12 grs.; realising, at 55s, £22 12s 4d. July 29, 9 tons, producing 10 ozs. 10 dwts. 12 grs.; realising, at 55s, £27 17s 10d. September 23, 20 tons, producing 20 ozs. 8 dwts. 12 grs.; realising, at 56s, £57 3s 8d;—making 34½ tons, giving an average of 1 oz. 2 dwts. 10 grs. to the ton. Relying on these crushings, which were so regular in their results, and which were such as to induce those in charge of the batteries at which they were made to invest largely in the mine, your directors proceeded to have the mine properly opened up. On the works being completed, the late crushing was made, and the directors can come to no other conclusion than that there has been foul play, and that it is useless to carry on further mining operations."—*Times Advertiser*.

## New Mining Discoveries.

The *South Australian Register* publishes the following extract from a letter sent from the Roper River by a member of Mr Todd's telegraph expedition:—"Wherever you go you see indications of gold, and I firmly believe that if a prospecting party comes here it will be the making of the place."

The same journal has also been favoured with the following clippings from a letter written to an Adelaide friend by a friend in the Northern Territory:—"You make mention of a gold party coming here, and I am of opinion that they cannot fail to do well, for the country about 150 miles from Port Darwin is reported to be a gold country. I have been careful to make all possible enquiries, and the reports are indeed good. Some of the parties have found gold in payable quantities. One of the men got a nugget said to be worth £4. The gold is of a coarse nature, and all from surface sinking. The great drawback is the difficulty of getting provisions to the field for want of stock. The roads are tolerably good from Port Darwin. A gentleman who has been here some length of time, and has seen a good deal of this place, reports it to be a beautiful pastoral country, and he considers that it will turn out a far better goldfield than Victoria. About 140 miles from Port Darwin, or 22 miles from the telegraph depot No. 2, say in a south-easterly direction, the gold region commences, and continues for about 80 miles in the same direction, spreading east and west in an unknown course at present. On the above mentioned ground I am sure you will find gold in payable quantities wherever you may try and wash a dish of earth for it. We are about 80 miles from the Roper. I have seen some of the gold found by a resident here, and it is about the size of No. 1 shot when they are beaten out."

A great meeting was held at Oxford, in honour of the memory of Bishop Patterson.

## Government Notice

## LAND TRANSFER ACT.

**LANDS ALIENATED** or Contracted to be Alienated from the Crown in fee, prior to the coming into operation of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," may be brought under the provisions of the Act by application from the persons entitled thereto.

**ALL LANDS ALIENATED** from the Crown after the coming into operation of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," are subject to, and must be dealt with in manner prescribed by the Act.

The following are examples of the fees payable for bringing land under the provisions of the Land Transfer Act:—

1. When the Title consists of a Grant, dated on or subsequent to the 28th December, 1841, none of the land included in which has been dealt with—  
Where the certificate of title is directed to issue in the name of the applicant: value of land, £100 ... 0 11 2  
Where the certificate of title is directed to issue in the name of the purchaser: value of land, £100 ... 1 11 2  
These charges are increased by 4s 2d (Assurance Fund) for every additional £100 in value.
2. When the Applicant is the original Grantee, and the land has been dealt with; or where the Applicant is not the original Grantee—  
Where the value of the land is £100 2 14 2  
Where the value of the land is £200 3 3 4  
Where the value of the land is £300 3 12 6  
Where the value of the land is £400 4 1 8  
Where the value of the land is above £400, the fees increase at the rate of 4s 2d (Assurance Fund) for every additional £100 in value.

These Charges also represent the cost of Conveying Land.

Inasmuch as applicants to bring land under the Act can direct the certificates of title to issue in the names of any other persons.

*Credit for Fees is given,* when desired by the applicant, in all cases where the proprietor applies to have the land registered under the Act in his own name, and the fees may remain unpaid until the land is dealt with.

Any person, therefore, who wishes to bring his land under the provisions of the Act, in order that whenever he deals with it, he may be in a position to avail himself of the facilities afforded by having a Registered Title, can do so without any present cost, by allowing the fees to remain unpaid until such dealing takes place. He will then be in a position to Mortgage, Transfer, Lease, or otherwise deal with his land at a moment's notice.

Any Title, however long and complex, may be investigated at a cost to the applicant of only Five Shillings; for if the title is rejected, all fees are returned, with the exception of that amount.

**CERTIFICATES OF TITLE ARE ABSOLUTELY INDEFEASIBLE.**

*Under the Old System* of Conveyancing, if a single deed is lost, the title is in many cases rendered absolutely defective, and therefore unmarketable, while in others it can only be rectified at great cost. Persons who bring their land under the Act surrender all their deeds, and receive in exchange a certificate of title, a duplicate of which is retained in the office. If the certificate in the possession of the registered proprietor is at any time lost, or destroyed by fire, &c., a new certificate is supplied by the Registrar at a small cost.

All Titles are guaranteed by the Government.

*On all Conveyances by Deed* under the old system, the cost of Registration in the Deeds Registry, OVER AND ABOVE THE SOLICITOR'S CHARGE, is never less than FIFTEEN SHILLINGS, frequently very much more; while land which has been brought under the provisions of the Land Transfer Act can be transferred at a TOTAL COST OF ELEVEN SHILLINGS where a whole section is conveyed; and where only part is conveyed, (and therefore a fresh certificate of title necessitated,) of THIRTY-ONE SHILLINGS, which is the HIGHEST SUM ALLOWED by the Act, no matter what the value or area of the land.

Under the Regulations in force on and after the 1st of January, 1872, the charge for certificates of title issued upon Memoranda of Transfer is REDUCED TO TEN SHILLINGS in all cases WHERE THE VALUE OF THE LAND IS UNDER TEN POUNDS.

The TOTAL COST of executing a MORTGAGE or LEASE of land registered under the Act is TWELVE SHILLINGS, no matter what the amount involved.

A Mortgage may be transferred or discharged, or a Lease transferred or surrendered, for FIVE SHILLINGS.

These Operations involve no Delays.

The following are some of the advantages conferred by the Land Transfer System:—

1. It secures the principal benefits and advantages sought to be attained in a system of registration of deeds.
2. It renders retrospective investigations of title unnecessary as to all lands registered.
3. It simplifies the titles to Real Property for the future.
4. It makes purchasers of the fee and leases perfectly secure.
5. It simplifies to the utmost possible extent the forms of transfer and the modes of conveyance.
6. It increases the saleable value of land.
7. It tends to lower the rate of interest on loans secured on lands.
8. It gives facilities for the sale of large estates in allotments.
9. Transactions can be effected at a moment's notice, and at a minimum of cost.
10. Frauds in the purchase and sale of land are effectually prevented, because the certificate of title in the possession of the vendor shows the exact condition of the estate, i.e., if the estate be mortgaged, encumbered, or leased. Memoranda disclosing the particulars of any such transactions affecting the estate are written upon the certificate of title.

## Government Notice

## FEES CHARGEABLE UNDER THE LAND TRANSFER ACT.

(Extract from New Zealand Gazette, No. 64, of 9th December, 1871.)

For bringing Land under the provisions of the Act:—

	£	s.	d.
When the title consists of a grant dated on or subsequent to the 28th December, 1841, and none of the land included therein has been dealt with ...	0	2	0
When the title is of any other description, and the value exceeds £300 ...	1	0	0
When the title is of any other description, and the value exceeds £200, and does not exceed £300 ...	0	15	0
When the title is of any other description, and the value exceeds £100, and does not exceed £200 ...	0	10	0
When the title is of any other description, and the value does not exceed £100 ...	0	5	0
Contributions to Assurance Fund upon first bringing land under this Act, and upon the registration of an estate of freehold in possession derived by settlement, will, or intestacy— In the pound sterling ...	0	0	2
Other fees— For every application to bring land under the Act ...	0	5	0
For certificate of title where the same is issued in the name of any applicant grantee ...	Nil		
For certificate of Title issued upon any memorandum of transfer where the consideration is under £10 and is not nominal ...	0	10	0
For every other certificate of title ...	1	0	0
Registering memorandum of transfer, mortgage, encumbrance or lease ...	0	10	0
Registering transfer or discharge of mortgage or of encumbrance, or the transfer or surrender of a lease ...	0	5	0
Registering proprietor of any estate or interest derived by settlement or transmission ...	0	10	0
For every power of attorney ...	0	10	0
For every registration abstract ...	1	0	0
For cancelling registration abstract ...	0	5	0
For every revocation order ...	0	10	0
Noting caveat ...	0	10	0
Cancelling or withdrawal of caveat, and service of notice to caveator or caveatee ...	0	5	0
Issuing order for foreclosure ...	1	0	0
For every search ...	0	2	0
For every general search ...	0	5	0
For every map or plan deposited ...	0	5	0
For every instrument declaratory of trusts, and for every will or other instrument deposited ...	0	10	0
For registering recovery by proceeding in law or equity, or re-entry by lessee ...	0	10	0
For registering vesting of lease in mortgage, consequent on refusal of trustee in bankruptcy to accept the same ...	0	10	0
For entering notice of marriage or death ...	0	10	0
For entering notice of writ or order of Supreme Court ...	0	10	0
Taking acknowledgment of married women ...	0	5	0
Taking declaration in case of lost grant or other instrument, or where production of duplicate is dispensed with ...	0	10	0
Taking affidavit or statutory declaration ...	0	5	0
For the exhibition or return of any deposited instrument, or for exhibiting or returning deeds surrendered by applicant proprietor ...	0	5	0
For certified copy, first five folios, per folio of seventy-two words ...	0	5	0
For every folio or part folio after first five ...	0	0	8
For every instrument drawn on parchment ...	0	2	0
When any instrument purports to deal with land included in more than one grant or certificate, for each registration memorial after the first ...	0	2	6

Lands purchased from the Crown since the coming into operation of the Land Transfer Act cannot be dealt with under the old system.

W. S. MOORHOUSE,  
135 Registrar-General of Land.

## Patent Medicine

## A PARADOX!—TO SUFFERERS.

NERVOUSNESS,  
ITS NATURE AND CURE.

WHAT IS NERVOUSNESS?—Various answers might be given to this question, according to the constitution and knowledge of the individual. Strong healthy persons, whether medically educated or not, generally regard nervousness as more or less an "imaginary complaint"; it is sometimes only believed to be real when the patient is found to be dying or dead. The best answer to the question, probably, is this,—NERVOUSNESS IS AN UNNATURAL CONDITION OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM. Sometimes this unnatural state is accompanied with considerable bodily weakness, loss of flesh, and loss of strength; but in most cases there is in the earlier stages of the disorder no outward sign of weakness. The sufferers are found in both sexes; they often have the bloom of health upon the cheek; they are surrounded by kind friends, yet existence to them has no charms, for they feel that they cannot enjoy it. Without intending it, they annoy other people about the merest trifles; if they encounter some person unexpectedly they feel confused, afraid, and alarmed; the heart beats violently, the hand shakes when writing, and the whole frame at times experiences a complete tremulousness. The intellect also is sometimes

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clouded, the memory fails, the judgment becomes indistinct, the will capricious and undecided, the taste vitiated, the imagination broods upon unpleasant topics, the spirits are either very low or very excited, the ordinary duties of life become burdensome, society is shunned, and business neglected.

A STRANGE SPECTACLE.—It is certainly strange, but not the less true, that perfectly sane persons in the prime of life, with firm step and healthy countenance, may occasionally be met with, who, in spite of possessing all the advantages of education, religion, ample means, and kind friends, nevertheless are victims of the nervousness above described; unhappy themselves, they render other people unhappy. Why is this? What cause has operated to change the cheerful, active, obliging, unsuspecting, and uncomplaining youth into the unhappy, drowsy, listless, suspicious, and gloomy misanthrope? Many causes, or one cause only, may operate to produce this sad state: the cause may be either mental or physical, or both combined.

ATTEMPTS TO CURE NERVOUSNESS by means of ordinary tonics have so frequently proved fruitless, that the leading physicians now for the most part recommend hygienic means, such as exercise in the open air, regular habits, sea-bathing, the cold bath friction; change of air and scene, as in travelling. If all these fail, as they often do, what is to be done?

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